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MANY PLANES DESTROYED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5, (UP)—It is officially announced that 2,000 Russians have been killed and 64 Russian planes destroyed in the fighting on the Karelia Isthmus during the past three days.

It is officially announced that there is heavy fighting in the Salmi sector where an artillery duel has been going on for the past two days.

Six tanks, and one plane have been destroyed, and two platoons of Russian soldiers wiped out.

Soviet Troops Repulsed

ROME, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—Finnish aircraft have attacked and dispersed Soviet troops marching towards Petsamo, according to a Helsinki despatch, which also states that Finnish anti-aircraft fire inflicted heavy losses on Soviet aircraft attempting to bomb the hydro-electric plants at Imatra.

The despatch further states that 40,000 Finns are opposing 80,000 Russians in Karelia.

Salmijarvi Bombed

OSLO, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—Three Russian warplanes are reported to have bombed Salmijarvi.

A number of explosions were heard at the frontier.

More Red Forces Land

OSLO, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—Soviet warships were observed landing troops on both sides of the Petsamo Fjord, according to reports received here.

The Finns made no attempt to stop the landing.

They are awaiting the Russians at Petsamo, which is stated to be strongly fortified.

Moscow Claims

MOSCOW, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—According to the latest Soviet bulletin, the Red Army has advanced between 25 and 30 miles into the Karelian Isthmus.

It appears that the Soviet troops are only just within striking distance of the Mannerheim Line after five days of fighting.

Finns Claim Advances

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—In the Salmi region, the Finns claim considerable advance, inflicting "very heavy losses."

The Finns also claim an advance in the Karelian Isthmus.

Soviets Occupy Hogland

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Dec. 5 (UP).—The official newspaper Pravda claims that the Soviet naval landing party has occupied the island of Hogland.

The report said the landing party

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FINLAND TO REMOVE CAPITAL TO VAASA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 4 (Domet).—The Finnish Government has started removal to its new capital at Vaasa on the coast of the Gulf of Bothnia.

Ordinary citizens have already been ordered to evacuate the doomed capital.

Finland's Appeal To The League

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—Replying to a question regarding Finland's appeal to the League of Nations, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said that the action of the Finnish Government was taken on their own initiative.

The Council has been summoned for Saturday and the Assembly is expected to meet on Monday.

Great Britain will be represented by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who will make a statement on behalf of the British Government.

DENUNCIATION OF RED INVASION LED BY AMERICA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (UP).—Officials of the State Department revealed to-day that the United States is prepared to join in a hemispherical denunciation of the Soviet invasion of Finland if all other American Republics

desire to take such a step.

AWAITING ZERO HOUR

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—While Helsinki and other towns had a third day's uneasy respite, Finnish troops in the extreme north were feverishly digging themselves in amid the charred and smoking ruins of Petsamo and Salmijarvi.

Although no Soviet bombers appeared to-day, everyone has listened and watched for the first sign of the expected mass air-raid.

Anniversary Fears

Now considerable fears are expressed for to-morrow, which is the 21st anniversary of Finland's independence.

Many Finns fear that Moscow spared them to-day in order that the threatened destruction should coincide with this anniversary, but conditions to-morrow are likely to be unfavourable to any air activity.

In the neighbourhood of Petsamo and Salmijarvi, the Finns are preparing to offer energetic resistance to the Soviet attack which is expected in the near future.

Soviet Advance Admitted

Fighting in the district is already heavy, and it is admitted that the Russians have gained a certain advance.

The Russians are pouring in troops by sea and rail, but up to now reinforcements have not been strong enough to make a really successful frontal attack on the main Finnish positions.

Meanwhile, streams of fugitives continue to cross the Norwegian frontier, but not a single Finnish soldier has passed into Norway.

Finnish Minister Detained

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—The Finnish Minister in Moscow is being held and the Legation is unable to leave the country, according to a Finnish source in London.

King With His Armies

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—The King spent eight hours to-day with his armies in France.

The sounds of cheering as His Majesty left each unit were carried across the countryside.

His Majesty lunched with General Viscount Gort, the British Commander-in-Chief, H.R.H. Major General the Duke of Gloucester, and a score of other high officers in a simple village at Estaimont, ordinarily used as a Corporals' Mess.

Cheered By Villagers

The tour covered a wide area, concluding with a review of a battalion of Highlanders only a quarter of a mile behind the barbed wire.

As the convoy, headed by the King's car flying the Royal Standard, returned at twilight to G.H.Q., little crowds of French people lined the streets and villages waving their welcome.

Spies Active In Holland

Responsible For
Loss Of A Ship

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—The loss of one of the many Dutch ships sunk recently is attributable to espionage activities in Holland, according to the "Telegraph."

The result of recent developments is that the routine of Dutch Government departments has been abruptly heightened up.

Searching enquiries are made before important dossiers are handed over to those asking for them, and it is forbidden to leave plans and documents lying on a desk for a night.

Meanwhile, the Police are following up clues in connection with the alleged espionage.

Arrests are already made and more are possible.

Damaged Submarine Takes To Sea Again

OSLO, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—It is revealed that the British submarine brought to a Norwegian port on December 1 has been repaired and has left for British waters.

Royal Christmas Cards For B.E.F.

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—Their Majesties the King and Queen are sending Royal Christmas cards to all members of the Army and R.A.F. serving in France.

Britain's Great Outlay on War PLANE OUTPUT DOUBLED



What? No Turkey? —Hartford Contract

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Arthur Greenwood moved an amendment in an address regretting the absence of proposals for organising to the full our human and material resources for an effective prosecution of the war; provision and maintenance of an adequate standard of life for all, and for a solution on a basis of social justice of the problems which will arise on the return of peace.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Lord Privy Seal, in his reply, reviewed Britain's industrial efforts after three months of war, and said that the value of the contracts placed for munitions and equipment since the beginning of the war was £195,000,000, and in a single week, November 21 to 28, £12,000,000.

Many New Factories

The number of Ordnance factories in production numbered 13, while 16 others were at various stages of completion.

Twenty-three private factories known as agency factories, had been built or were being built.

With regard to tanks and transport, the production rate for wheeled vehicles for January, 1940, was ten times that for January, 1939.

Since the beginning of the war, the Government had undertaken a programme which would result in doubling the amount of aircraft production.

We were greatly expanding our gigantic war effort and our previous programme of building a million tons of new merchant shipping.

Referring to the unemployment, Sir Samuel Hoare was of the opinion that in the early months of 1940, work would be looking for men, and not men for work.

Ammunition Production Is Doubled

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the production of ammunition of all sorts has doubled during the past six months.

This new output will be doubled in the next six months.

The number of Government factories had increased six-fold in the past two years, and next year the increase will be eight times the original number.

Commercial expansion so far is less rapid, but next year the number may exceed the Government factories.

LATEST

ANOTHER ELEVEN DEAD IN FIRE

A further eleven bodies have been recovered from the ruins of 402 Shanghai Street.

This brings the total deaths to 53—the highest recorded in Hongkong since the fatal Race-course fire on February 20, 1918.

All of the bodies recovered yesterday were charred beyond recognition and neither the sex nor the age of the victims can be determined.

In addition to the 53 dead, 22 persons, some in a critical condition, are in Kowloon Hospital.

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Further Late News

LAST BRITONS LEAVE CAPITAL

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—The departure of the last Britons from Helsinki was arranged in the early hours of to-day by the British Legation, writes "Reuters" special correspondent.

GLOOM IN WALL ST.

SERIOUS RECESSION
ON MARKETS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Dec. 5 (UP).—Gloom is spreading in Wall Street due to the steady recession in market activity and market operators, with the present curtailed set-up, are able just about to break even with a million-share day.

Meanwhile, business continues to reflect optimism. The National Association of Manufacturers reports that sixty-five per cent. of its members believe that production will hold its present level or rise within the next six months.

However, notwithstanding this sentiment, the market continues to reflect uncertainty regarding the future, and analysts anticipate narrow dull markets.

Former Losses Recovered

Stocks to-day recovered Monday's losses in a slightly more active session. Steels were about steady, copper were firm, utilities were steady and railroads showed little change.

Oil issues showed small losses, motors were irregular and farm and amusement issues were higher.

Mining issues were higher and a long list of specialties were strong, reflecting selective buying.

Market experts reported that sales were increasing to establish losses for tax purposes. They said in several instances the sellers had replaced their holdings with different issues.

NUFFIELD'S GENEROSITY

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—Lord Nuffield has given a million Morris Motor shares, worth nearly £1,250,000, to create a Central Hospital Fund for the provinces.

Lord Nuffield has expressed the hope that from this fund, and the King's Fund in London, there will ultimately emerge a truly national hospital fund.

U.S. AND ALLIES BLOCKADE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—A decision can be expected this week as to whether the United States will protest to Britain and France regarding the Allies' seizure of German exports, said an official of the State Department.

He added that the question has been studied for some time by officials of the State Department, following the protests of other neutrals.

New Badge For The Mercantile Marine

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—In the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Gilmour, the Minister of Shipping, announced that the King had approved the issue of a badge to the Mercantile Marine, beginning on January 1.

The badge would be issued to deep-sea fishermen, as well as to other members of the Mercantile Navy facing war-time dangers.

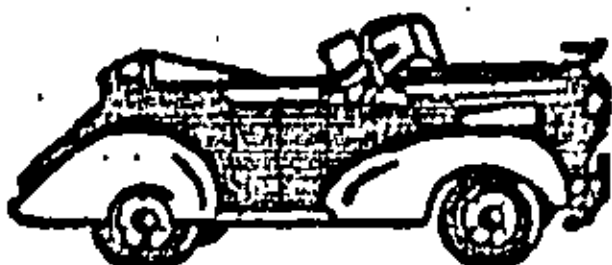
23 HOURS IN AN OPEN BOAT

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuters).—After 23 hours in an open boat the captain and five members of the crew of the British steamer "Tudor" were landed by a trawler at a Scottish port.

The steamer carried a crew of 28, of whom nine are presumed to be lost.

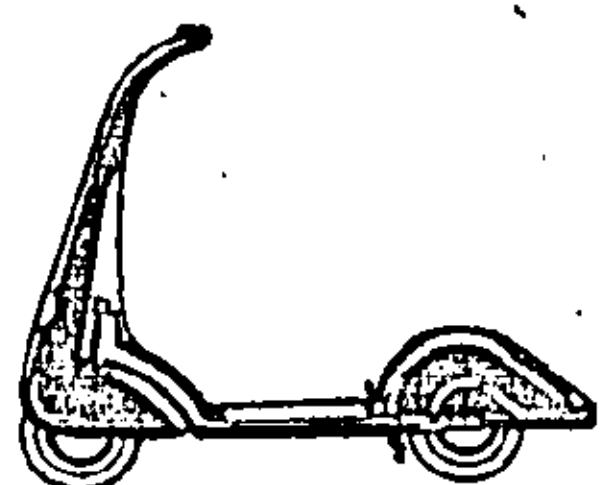


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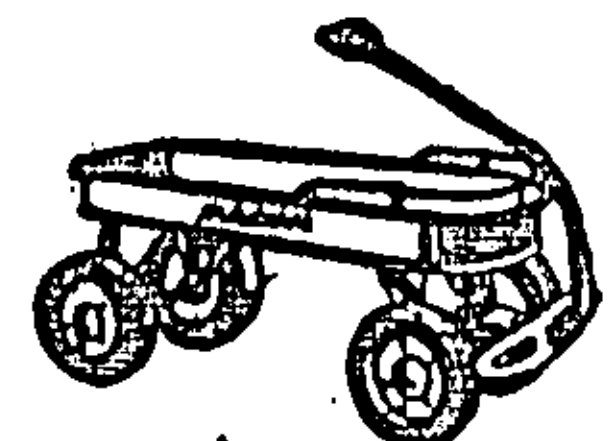
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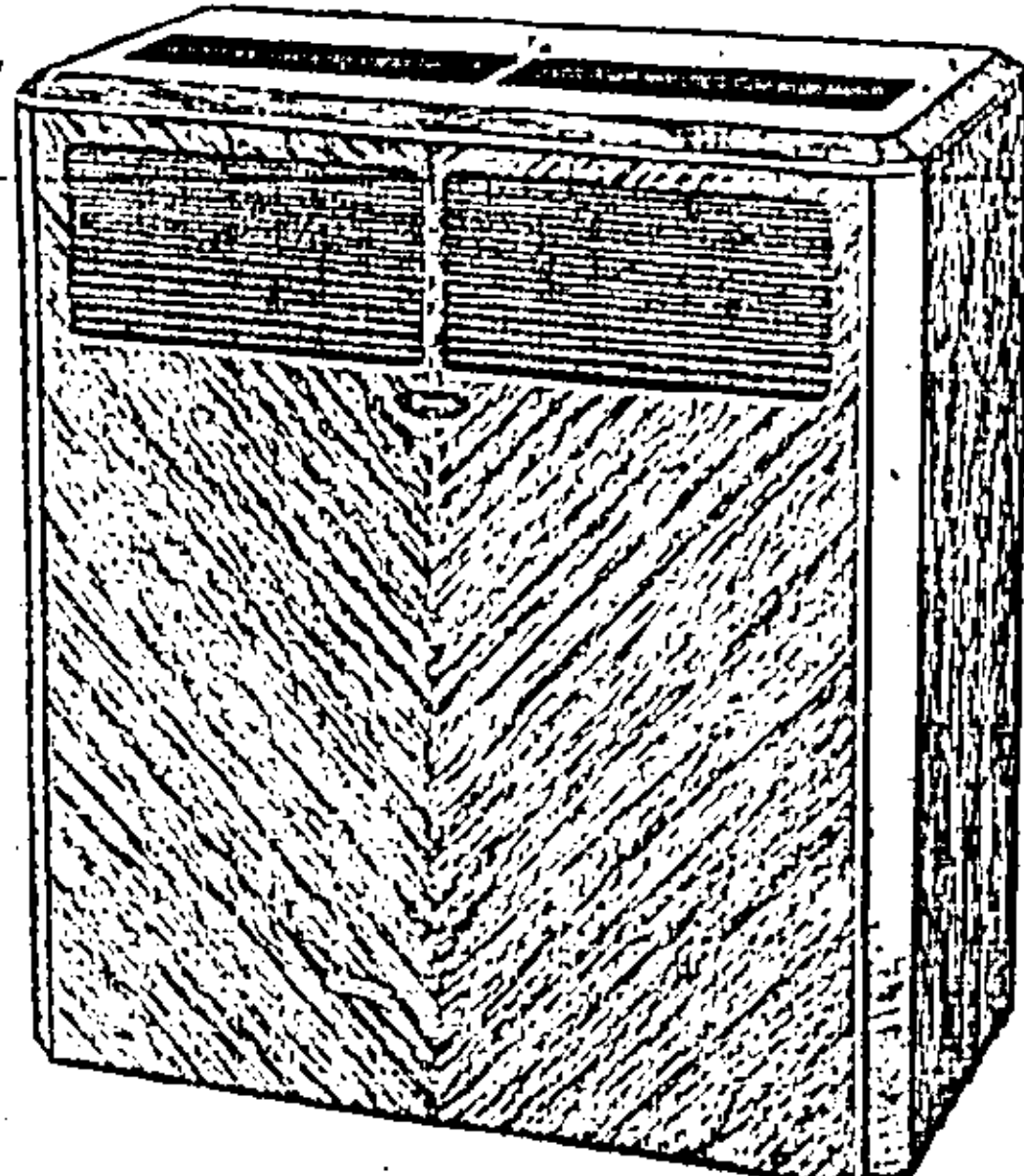
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50 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1889.
The returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending Dec. 1st are: Europeans 217, Chinese 1,053, total, 1,270.

At the audit of accounts the other day, on the turning over of the seals of the Viceroyalty of the Liang Kuang by Chang Chih-tung to Li Han-chang, the sum of nine million taels in hard cash, was credibly informed, was handed over to the new Viceroy by the Treasurer of Chang Chih-tung.

25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1914.
In Belgium the enemy has assumed the defensive and his cannonading has slackened. We progressed at several points and are firmly holding others already acquired.

In the Solsona district intermittent cannonading prevailed. In Argonne several attacks were repulsed. In Woevre the enemy bombarded Apremont forest.

A Yellow Book completes the Allies' documents and denies German publications, giving a strong and indisputable impression that the actual crisis in the consequence of the tenacious policy of Germany in seeking war with resolution, beginning from ten years ago.

It is officially announced from Petrograd that stubborn fighting continues in the direction of Lodz. The Germans endeavored to advance in the region of Sieradow, but were repulsed with great losses.

After ten days' fighting the Russians have captured the Austrian positions defending the passes of the Carpathians, thirty miles from Konieczna, north of Bartfeld, through Zhydowakir and Zhydnowakir to Husko and south of Meroe-Labore, capturing quick-firing and other guns.

10 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1929.
Sandy Herd, the veteran British professional golfer, playing at Moor Park, Rickmansworth, today holed out at the eighteen in one stroke. The hole is 146 yards long.

This is the eighteenth occasion in his long career in which he has performed the hole-in-one feat and his record in this respect is quite unparalleled. An American golfer has praised Herd a solid gold putter when he does his twentieth hole in one.

A day ahead of schedule, the Asama Maru, the first of the new ultra-modern motor passenger ships built for the N.Y.K.'s Orient-California service, arrived in port this morning and berthed at the Kowloon Wharf. She was during the day, the object of general admiration. The two sister-ships, the Chichibu Maru and the Tatsuta Maru, will be seen here in the spring of next year. The three liners are truthfully described as the largest and most magnificent motor ships ever built in Japan.

5 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1934.
Following the British statement of policy in the House of Commons debate on Imperial Defences, and the broad hint that Germany should give the Powers some reassuring word, there have been rapid developments of disarmament and peace problems in European capitals. The new factors in the situation appear to be of a more hopeful character.

One of the most decisive and hard-fought battles ever waged between the Government forces and the Reds, since the commencement of the anti-Red campaign on the Hunan-Kwangsi border, is reported to have taken place in the vicinity of Chuenchow, within Kwangsi territory, over the week-end.

The utter defeat of the Reds in this battle was quickly followed by their general withdrawal from the Kwangsi border districts. According to General Lia Chien-sui, Commander of Hunanese Forces in pursuit of the Reds, nearly 10,000 casualties were inflicted on the enemy during the engagement.

Five battalions of the Red survivors are being surrounded by the joint Kwangsi-Hunan forces at a point to the south of Chuenchow.

LEAFLET RAIDS ARE NOT MERE PROPAGANDA

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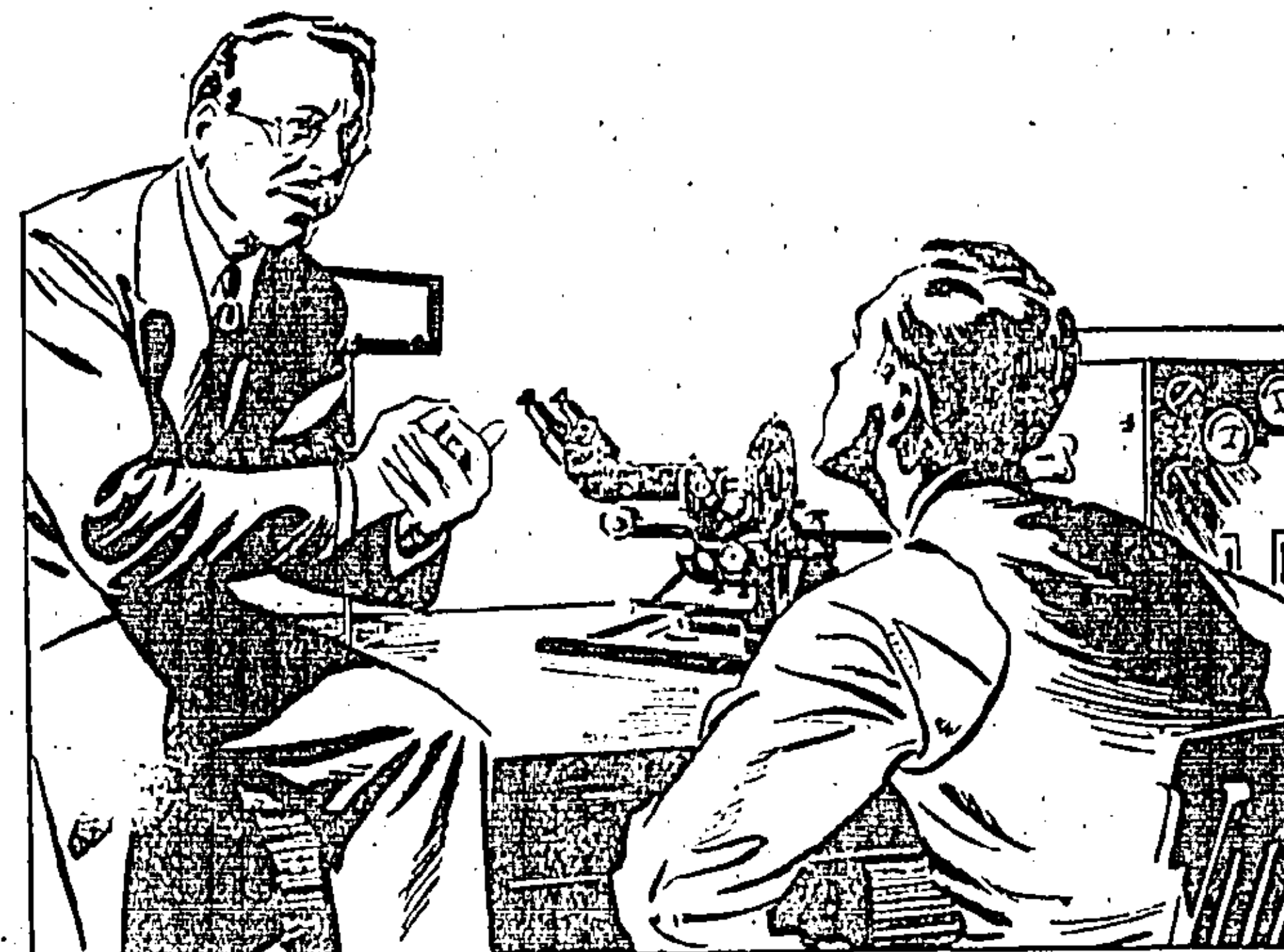


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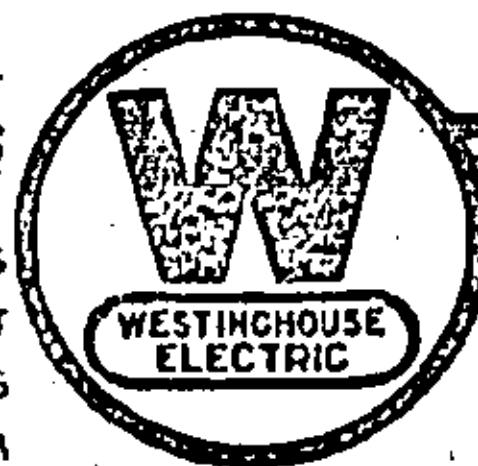
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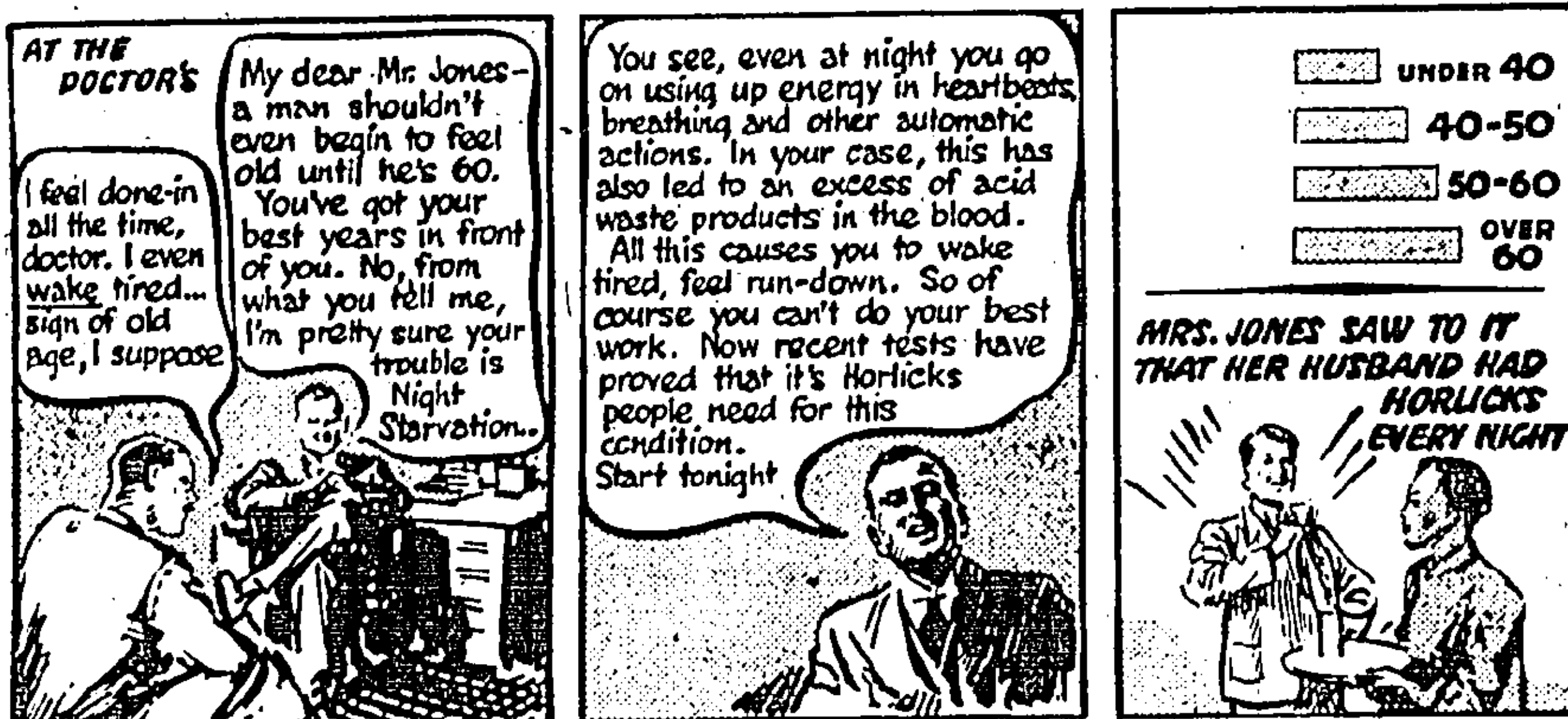
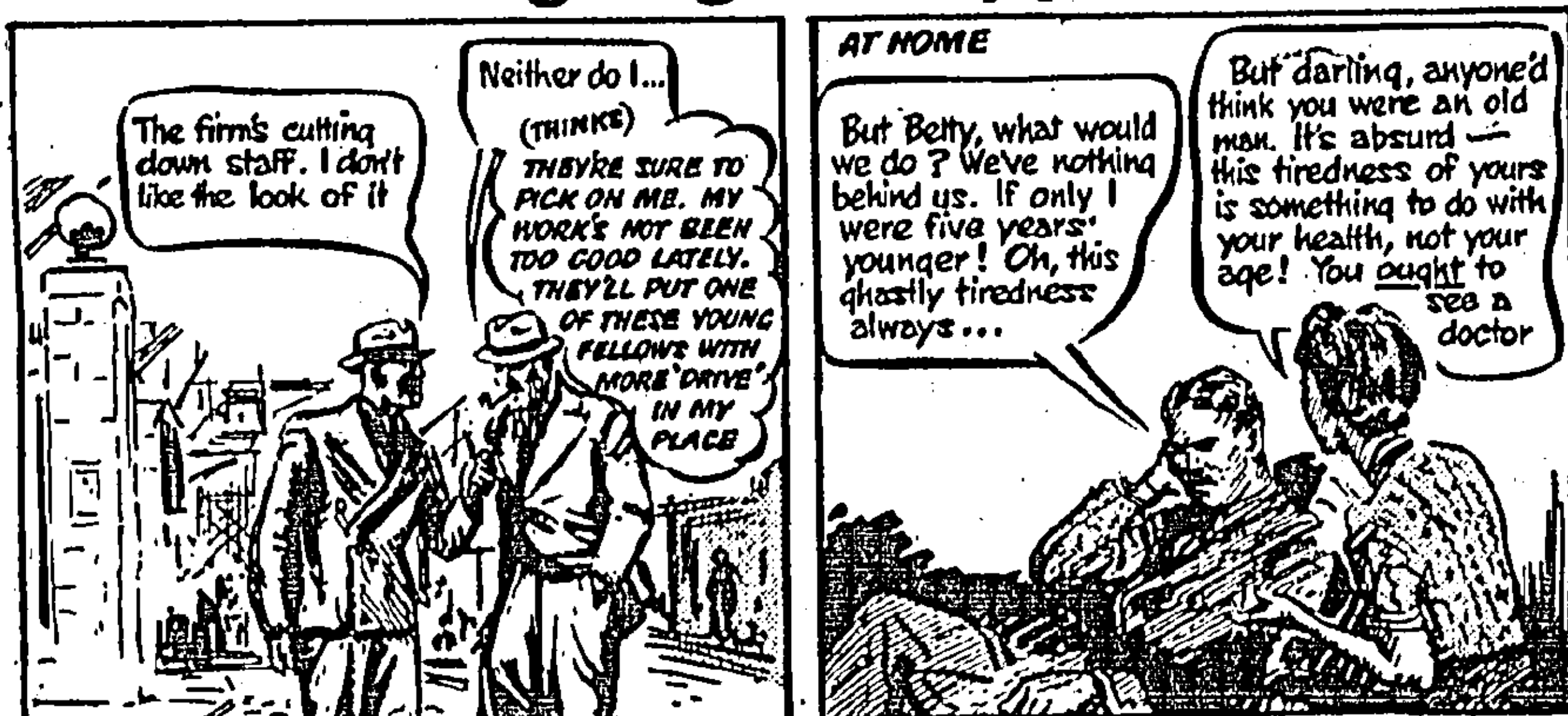
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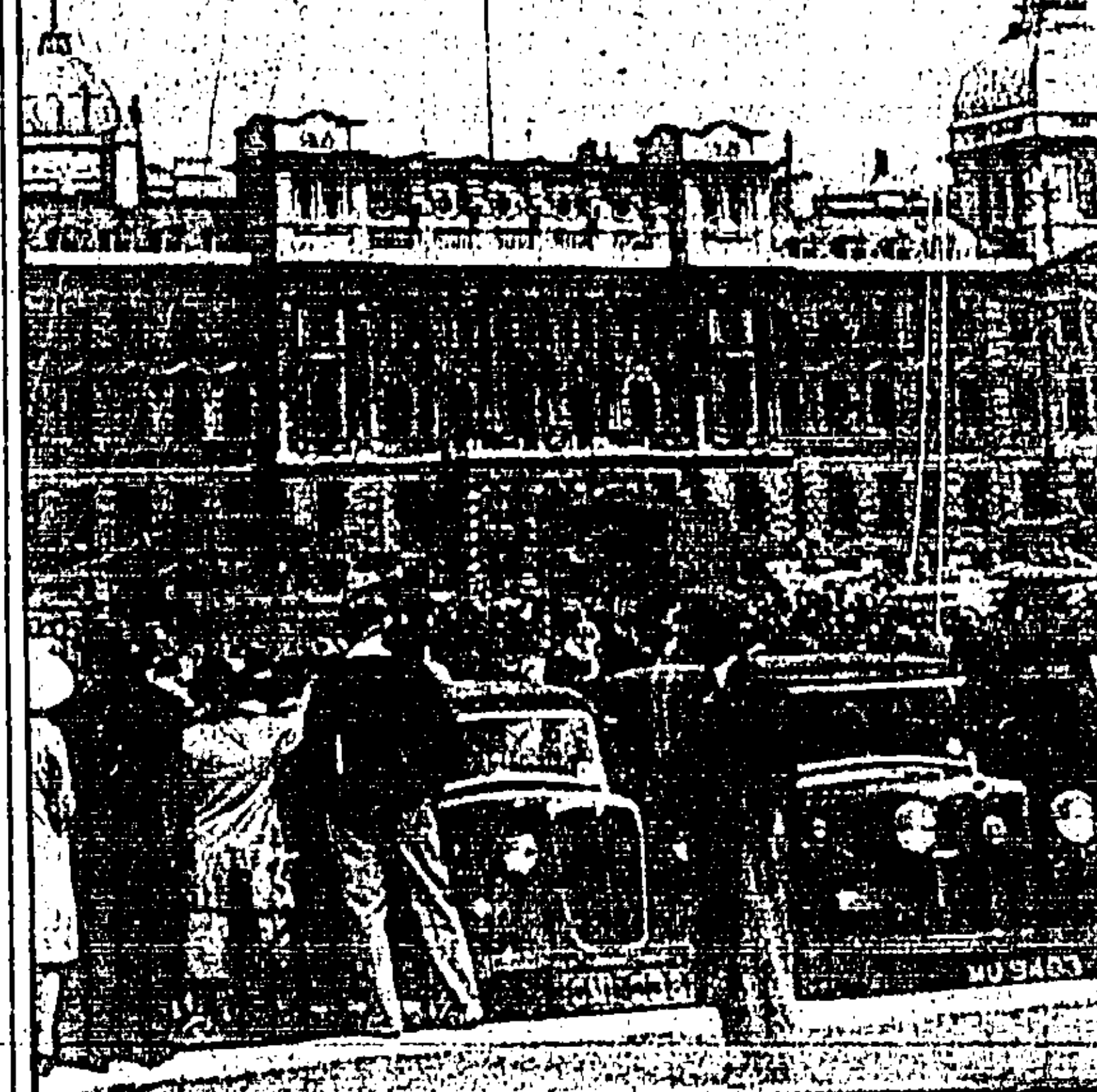
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Leaflet Raids Are Not Mere Propaganda

LONDON.—The British public is now realising that there is more to leaflet-bombing raids than just leaflets.

The continued—one might almost say continual—flights over Germany which have carried the wings of Britain over Berlin and the Ruhr and more than 20,000,000 leaflets into the streets and fields of these and other districts, fulfil an important purpose besides disseminating the British point of view.

Described officially as "reconnaissance flights" these raids perform the important function of full-scale practice of night and day flying over enemy territory for bomber pilots. From the first it was realised that the leaflets themselves could perform a dual purpose. Their propaganda value is not dependent on the written word, for their very presence is calculated to show the German man-in-the-street that British bombers have passed overhead. If the man-in-the-street must realise that British bombers are learning to find their way about his country in the darkness of night. The secondary message of the leaflets thus becomes, "Don't start anything you couldn't finish."

So far the bombers of the German air arm—Field Marshal Hermann Goering claims to have 4,000 of them—have not been in action on a big scale. For their part the French and British have confined their action to reconnaissance work.

GIVES BOMBERS PRACTICE. But the effect of this reconnaissance has been to give the long-range bombers practice, so that if Germany attempted air attacks on a vast scale on military or non-military objectives far behind the allied lines it could expect reprisals from an air force which, unlike its own, already knows the lay of the land.

On night raids in modern conditions an air force that has "been

THE GERMAN VIEWPOINT

There remains another question which the public, of both countries, would probably like answered. That is, How do the British manage to fly about as much as 400 miles inside Germany without suffering heavy casualties, and in some cases, without being challenged at all?

Field Marshal Goering's answer is that "if they like to fly at tremendous heights at night and drop their ridiculous leaflets we have no objections."

Others suggest that it is the "tremendous heights" which form the most significant part of the statement. It has now been made public in England that the machines undertaking these flights have a service ceiling of considerably over 30,000 feet. Obviously, unless their approach is detected, it is extremely difficult for a chaser to seek them

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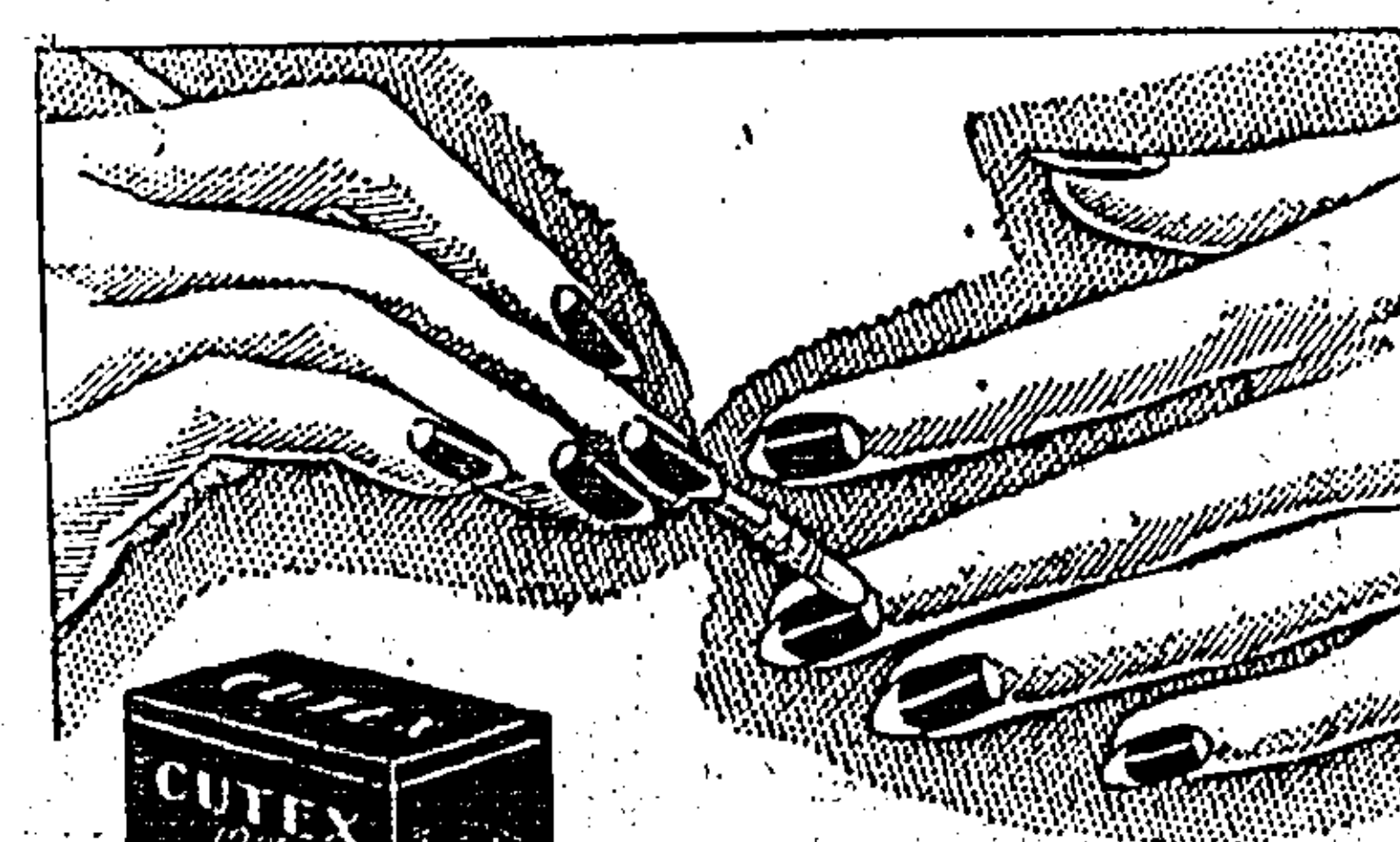
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MESSAGE TO NEHRU

Chungking, Dec. 5. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has sent a telegraphic reply to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, leader of the Indian Nationalist Movement, thanking him for his message of congratulation on China's recent victory in north Hunan on behalf of the Indian people.—Central News.

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LETTERS

"The Warning"

To the Editor,
"Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—It was my privilege a few days ago to see a preview of the cinema film "The Warning," and I have learned that this film will be on view to the public during this month at various theatres.

The film depicts an air attack on an English town and shows in detail the men and women of the A.R.P. organisation fulfilling their errands of mercy in alleviating suffering.

The film is instructive and vividly brings home some of the things we all ought to know if we are to be ready for the emergency of war. The fact that the film is being shown does not mean that this Colony need expect to be involved in active warfare, but it is in these days everyone's duty to be prepared for the possibility of war.

The Government are taking all possible measures for the defence of the Colony, and the general public can help to make these plans work. If the emergency ever arose, I am confident that the population of Hongkong would come forward in its thousands, but they would come untrained. For the work we may be called upon to do, one man trained beforehand is worth two or three who come at the last moment.

Service in the A.R.P. organisation is a serious job for free men and women who care for their fellows and for the Colony in which they live.

My advice to the general public is to make a point of seeing "The Warning," to ponder over it, and then apply for the place which each one intends to take in the A.R.P. organisation.

A. H. S. STEEL-PERKINS,
Director of Air Raid Precautions.

Vaccination Drive

Free Treatment
Available At Hospitals

With the advent of winter, the Medical Authorities are making a big vaccination drive for the fear of Small-pox is always great at this time.

Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, stated yesterday that free vaccination was now available at all government hospital and dispensaries. He pointed out, however, these facilities were meant primarily for the poorer classes.

"Those who retain the services of private registered medical practitioners are asked to assist by seeking vaccination from them, thus leaving the Government medical institutions for those who cannot afford fees," said Dr. Selwyn-Clarke.

The Director added—"Vaccination against Small-pox is a compulsory for all and the Medical Authorities advise re-vaccination at intervals not exceeding three years owing to the severe strain of infection met with in Hongkong."



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BY HILDE MARCHANT

HUMAN LIFE HAS BECOME CONTRABAND.

Hitler no longer shows any discrimination between a cargo of iron ore and a boat-load of men, women and children passing out of Europe's shadow. He gives the right to confiscate their lives.

When the Dutch liner Simon Bolivar struck a German mine seventeen miles off an English East Coast port, only one coherent thought arose above the convulsion of life aboard. . . . "IT'S HAPPENED."

It was the thing they had expected, discussed, feared. They were neutral, they were a harmless cargo; but that gave them no feeling of security, for they knew the Nazis have a casual regard for such as they.

More than 200 of those whose lives had escaped Nazi censorship came to London to try to sort out the remnants of their existence. Husbands were without wives, children without parents. They had been seized as contraband.

Jan Seeks Mother

It seems that the life of a four-weeks-old Dutch child is harmful to Germany's war aims. Its lifeline stopped. So was its mother's, with two more of her children.

The father was saved with two daughters—three of this large, pleasant Dutch family.

It seemed, too, an aggressive act that thirteen-year-old Jan Hass was going with his parents and grandmother to a Dutch colony in the East for a few months' holiday. Jan and his grandmother were rescued; but it is not sure where his parents are.

Jan was bewildered when I saw him. He was sorting out a suit for himself in the lounge of the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool-street—refuge for more than 200 rescued men and women, seventeen rescued children, and six babies.

He couldn't understand why he had been chosen to go through such a disaster; but then, Jan is very young, and wouldn't know why Germany wanted his life.

Mr. and Mrs. Velhaugen, too, did not know why their journey to southern summer with their baby, a ginger-headed boy of twelve months, should offend. One thing they knew was that they escaped; and the immediate problem was to get the oil out of Jan's ginger hair.

On Way To Wed

These are the details, in terms of human life, of the wrecking of the Simon Bolivar.

They were going south, this load of people, and they knew that once out of Europe it would be a nice trip—"We thought it would be like a cruise."

It was twelve o'clock, and the children were in the ship's nursery. The lounge was full, because there was just time for an aperitif before lunch.

Mr. L. Veltman was on deck with his wife and three girls. He was not very confident. . . . "I was an engineer in the minefields in the last war" . . . so he kept his eye on them all.

Miss Ella Lieutenants was walking along the corridor to the deck: Miss Laura Martin was turning over her wedding presents, in her bunk; for she was going out to be married.

The ship was going dead slow. Then she stopped.

'He Twisted Back'

Though the ship was still and life on board was taking this leisurely, incidental pace, it was only three minutes before the people on board were hurried into an experience so hurried and grim that only the most adult could record precisely what happened.

Mr. Veltman had the right training to remember. "I just felt a bump, bump on the bottom, then the glass was falling.

"It showered on us. I saw a man twist back with a broken spine; a steward, who had been so nice to us on the

journey, had his hip broken. "I grabbed my wife and children, and rushed to help the men with the boats. I knew how to work them.

"Three minutes later there was another explosion. It was a mine; they hang like a bunch of grapes. "We were picked up by a patrol steamer."

What happened to Miss Lieutenants in the corridor? She was thrown flat on her face. A steward picked her up.

"It's happened," he said. He sent her to get her lifebelt, and she picked up her bag.

Child Pinned In Lifeboat

"People were groaning in the corridor. They couldn't move. "I got up to a boat, and just as we were all settling in it there was the second explosion."

The lifeboat was hanging on the davits. Miss Lieutenants was shot out of it, then fell back into it.

"At first I thought I was in the sea, but I felt the bottom of the boat and knew it was filled with water.

"There was a child at my feet, but she was pinned down with a piece of wood, and I couldn't get her free.

"Other people got into our boat, and we got clear. With two men, I struggled with the wood to get the child out.

"She was covered in oil. There was oil all over the boat. It was minutes before we got her clear.

"I tried to wash her face in the sea. The oil stuck, so we wiped out her mouth, and her nose and eyes, and kept her warm."

Four boats swung clear, but two on the port side were blown to pieces by the second explosion.

Another hung aft, and the rescued watched it go down, empty.

They saw people stuck in the oil from the ship, unable to move. The captain went with his ship.

The boats drew clear. They were filled. Some of the people were wounded, all were weighted with oil, and bruised.

On board the patrol boat that picked up Mr. Veltman and his family, the wounded were laid on deck.

An Englishwoman who had survived said she was a nurse, and she tore up clothes for bandages, made splints from wooden boxes.

They landed, but their persecution went on. There was an air-raid warning, and the survivors were taken to a shelter.

Miss Lieutenants told me that just as she was nursing the rescued child in the shelter, trying to coax her name out of her, a man stood up in the corner and they thought he was going to have hysterics.

Father Finds Missing Son

"Fritz, Fritz," he yelled; then pushed over to his son in the corner, who had got in another boat.

"We cried. We couldn't help it," she said.

They came to London, to the hotel—a casualty clearing station where the sick could be found and sent to hospital.

They pinned back the swing doors and the manager stood in the lounge to receive his guests. He said:—

"They had black faces and black hair, and I thought they were natives from the crew.

Pitiful Survivors' Stories

"Then a man scraped away the oil. He was white."

It was midnight. A few hours had passed in their lives, and the disaster that had been too deep to be real began to penetrate the imagination of some of the survivors.

"It was terrible to see them weep so," the hotel manager went on. "They cried for their relatives, looking all round for some one they knew."

"Some of them were alone." In Dutch, French, German, English, these people pleaded to know: Where were their children, their husbands, their mothers?

A few hours is too short a time to realise mass murder. Oil streaked the carpets. The manager said: "Sit down," and oil dripped over the armchairs.

Chambermaids blessed with practical sympathy, took the women upstairs and cut their clothes off. The chambermaids brought out their own dresses and gave them over; and did not ask who they were wearing them, and would they get them back.

The manager sent out for petrol. It is rationed, so they emptied cans and tins, and gave the survivors petrol baths to get the oil off.

A child named Marie was bathed. She clutched a Donald Duck in her arms, and tried scrubbing it.

Another child—about four, the maid told me—had tight Dutch plaits down her back. "We couldn't undo them, so we soaked her plaits in the bowl. Her hair turned from black to blonde."

Nun Drifts For Five Hours

Then these guests of the hotel slept. The women who came back from the sea told me it was strange how quickly they went to sleep when they were clean and had a hot-water bottle at their feet.

I went into the hotel at breakfast time yesterday. Three sisters in white and black robes were drinking tea eating little. There had been four of them in the boat.

A member of the Dutch Legation came and told them the fourth had been rescued. She clung to a piece of driftwood for five hours. The water weighed her robes, and she could not get them off.

Two little Dutch children had breakfast in pale-blue coats. Their legs were still grey, the coat smeared with oil; they played with a doll that squeaked.

Perhaps they wondered why their mother kept kissing them, watching them, and fed them so attentively.

The children had already forgotten. Ironically, there was one happy group in this hotel lounge.

Miss Marie Sindelkova is a Czech, and left Prague just before the German occupation. She had not seen her brother, Dr. Oscar Sindelkova and his wife, since they also fled to come to England.

The three of them sat together in the lounge.

At tea time the lounge on the first floor was filled with sacks of clothes, brought in by two British charity organisations.

The survivors began trying out the coats and shoes.

They laughed when the clothes were too big or too tight, and a woman strutted round in an absurd little hat saying, "Chic, chic."

The hotel staff began to scrape oil on the carpets; the cloakroom was cleared of oily silk stockings.

The immigration authorities passed survivors out and some went with friends to look at London.

The backwash of the Bolivar began to ripple.

POST OFFICE

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

Christmas and New Year Cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents for 2 ounces, for all countries. Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

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Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m. Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 28th Nov. . . . Dec. 6. Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 29th Nov. . . . Dec. 6.

Haiphong, Hanoi and Port Bayard . . . Dec. 6.

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Shanghai . . . Dec. 6.

Shanghai and Swatow . . . Dec. 6.

Straits . . . Dec. 6.

U.S.A. and Manila (San Francisco date, 11th November) . . . Dec. 6.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 25th Nov. . . . Dec. 7.

Japan and Shanghai . . . Dec. 7.

Shanghai . . . Dec. 7.

Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 18th November) . . . Dec. 8.

Canton . . . Dec. 8.

Shanghai . . . Dec. 8.

Straits and Saigon . . . Dec. 8.

Tientsin . . . Dec. 8.

Formosa and Swatow . . . Dec. 9.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 2nd Dec. . . . Dec. 10.

Calcutta and Straits . . . Dec. 10.

Haiphong . . . Dec. 10.

Sandakan . . . Dec. 10.

Japan and Shanghai . . . Dec. 11.

Manila . . . Dec. 11.

Java and Manila . . . Dec. 12.

Shanghai . . . Dec. 12.

Straits . . . Dec. 12.

Calcutta . . . Dec. 12.

Canton . . . Dec. 13.

OUTWARD MAILS

Wednesday, Dec. 6

Saigon . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Amoy and Parcels only for Tientsin . . . Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.

Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin . . . Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Beirut, Lourenco-Marques, East and South Africa . . . Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.

Air Mail for India, China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 14th December. . . . K.F.O.

Reg. . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. . . . Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O. . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Reg. . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. . . . Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.

Saigon . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Air Mail for Manila, Cebu, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 13th December. . . . K.P.O.

Reg. . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. . . . Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O. . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Reg. . . . Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. . . . Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 7

Sandakan . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 a.m.

Port Bayard . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 a.m.

Japan . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 a.m.

Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourenco-Marques and South Africa . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 5th Jan. 1940 . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 a.m.

1940 and London Parcels—due London, 11th January 1940. . . . K.P.O.

Parcels . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 p.m.

Reg. . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 p.m.

Ord. . . . Dec. 7, 3.30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 8

Tourane . . . Dec. 8, 1.30 p.m.

Manila . . . Dec. 8, 1.30 p.m.

Shanghai . . . Dec. 8, 1.30 a.m.

Canton . . . Dec. 8, 1.30 a.m.

Shanghai . . . Dec. 8, 1.30 a.m.

Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 17th December. . . . K.P.O.

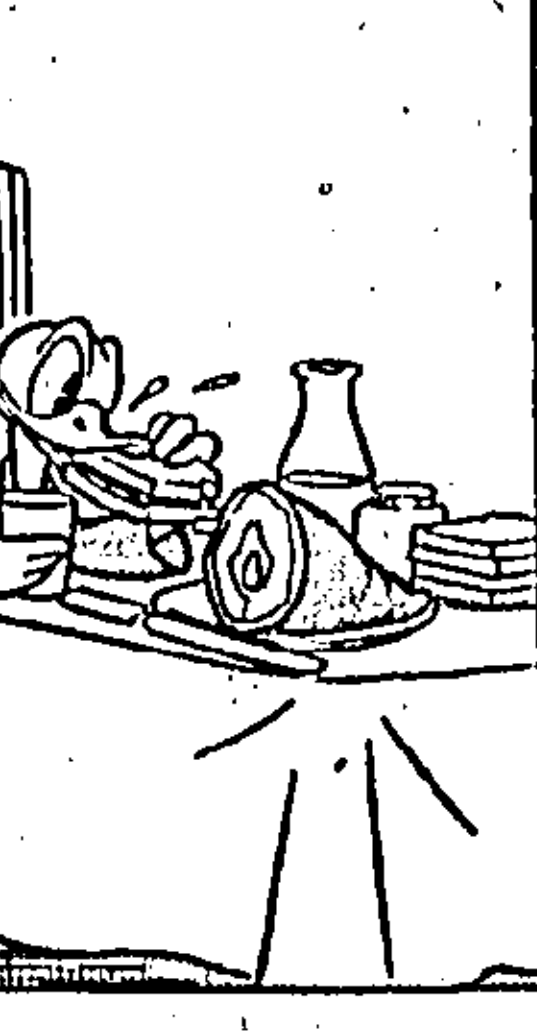
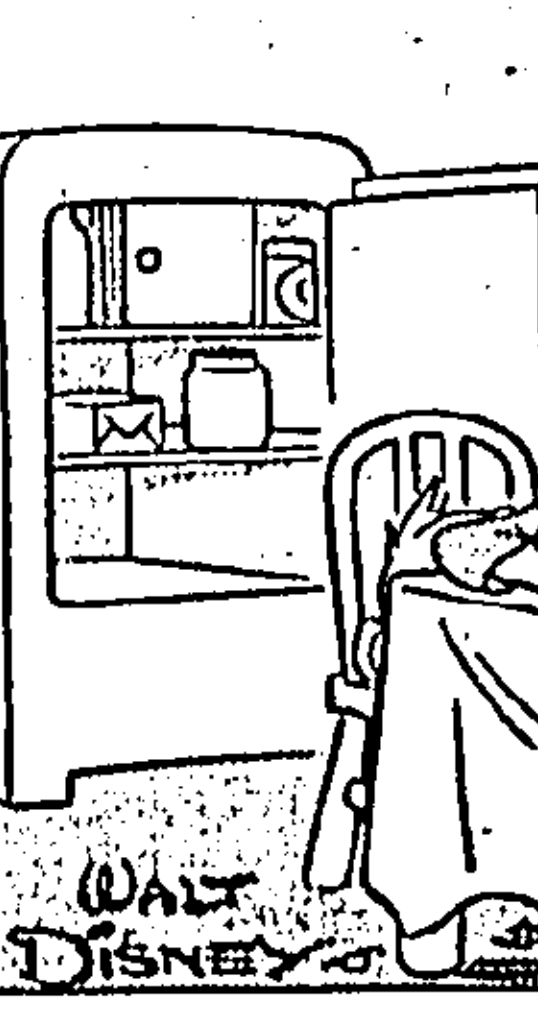
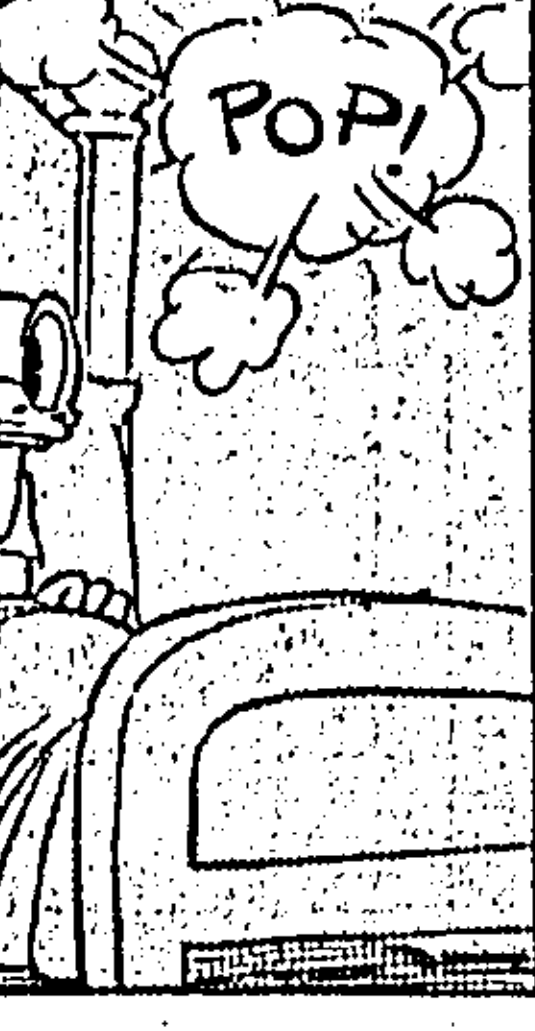
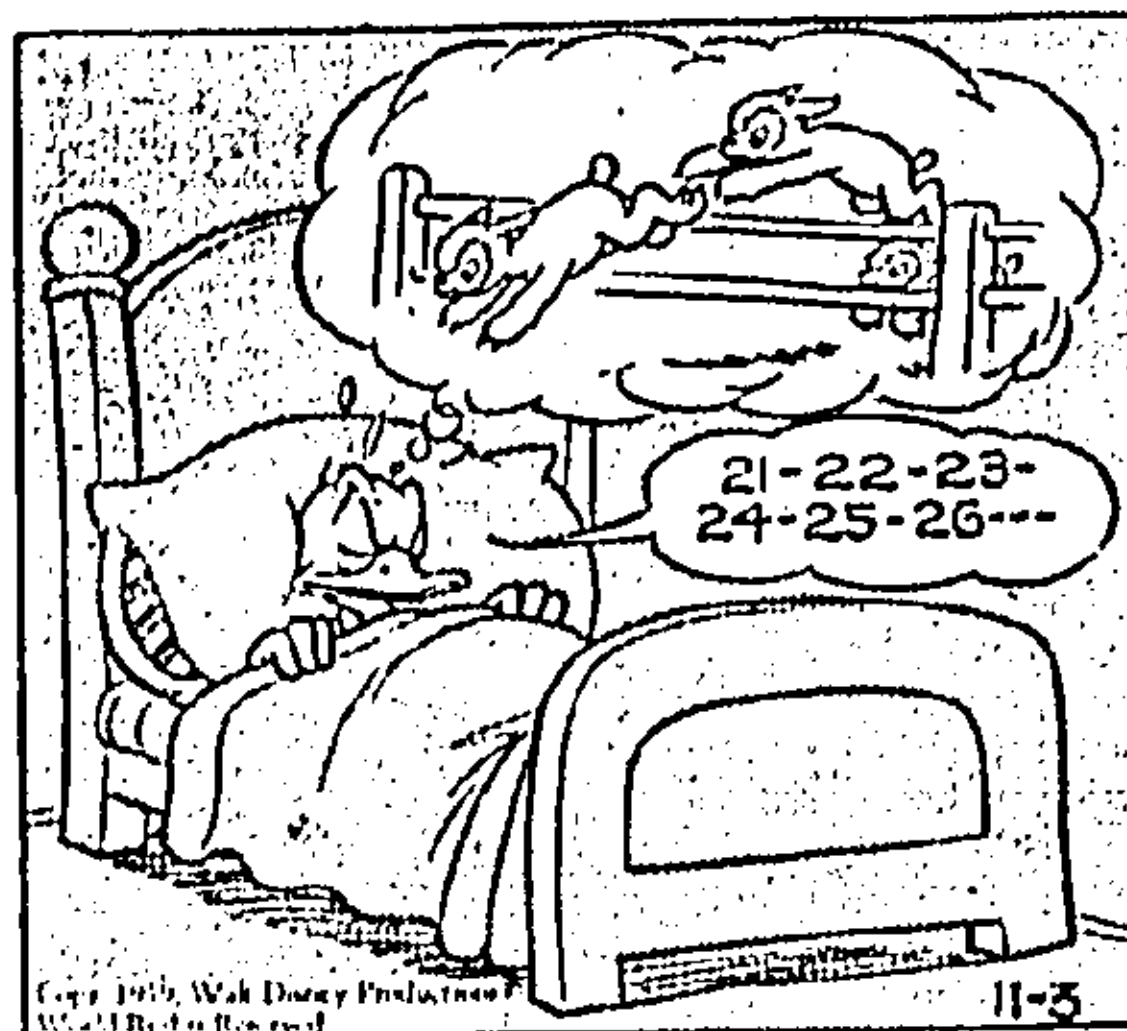
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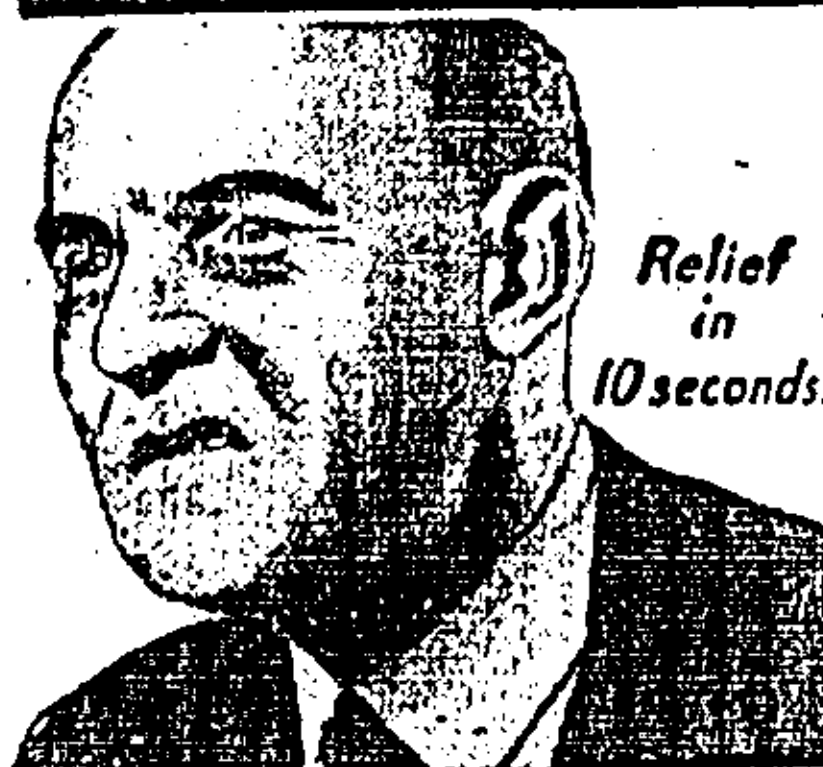
JAPANESE LEPERS

Mrs. M. H. Cornwall-Leigh
Receives Honour

Tokyo, Dec. 5.
Mrs. M. H. Cornwall-Leigh, the 63-year-old British owner of Barnard Hospital, at Kusatsu, Gunma Prefecture, has been decorated with the Sixth Order of the Sacred Treasure in recognition of her humanitarian work in social relief, especially in the care and treatment of lepers.

Mrs. Cornwall-Leigh came to Japan in 1909 to engage in missionary work among lepers and remained at Ihalei Hospital, Tokyo, until 1930. In the following year she established her present hospital as well as a primary school, at her own expense.—Domei.

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SUBTLE BRITISH PROPAGANDA

Prisoners' Names
Broadcast

NEW YORK.—The British are trying out a new plan to have their propaganda take hold in Germany—seeking to have the Germans tune in on a radio broadcast of news items favourable to the Allies by sandwiching in the names of German prisoners of war.

The Columbia Broadcasting System, describing the new persuasive method, said the German language is spoken throughout the daily broadcast from 10:15 to 10:45 p.m., Berlin time.

The radiocasts originate in the studios of the British Broadcasting Corporation. Twenty names are read from the list of the day before and 10 new ones are added.

Columbia said the programme was beamed toward Germany from powerful short-wave transmitters in Davenport. The actual reading of the names takes only about half a minute; the rest of the time is given over to the reading of the news items.

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The Anglo-French-Turkish pact means a diplomatic defeat for Germany. Germany tried very hard to hammer the negotiations—among the three friendly powers. Herr von Ribbentrop played an active role in Germany's attempts to wreck the agreement in advance. He persuaded the Soviet Union to insist that Turkey close the Dardanelles.

Then, after some further talk, the announcer went on:

"Two German U-boat officers will be buried with high military honours at Edinburgh. They are U-Boatmen Seidel and Schleicher. Fifty officers and sailors will attend the services; priests will officiate, and wreaths will be laid by officers and troops who participated in yesterday's battle."

This was followed by the reading of anti-Nazi comments from newspapers in neutral countries.

Meanwhile, Berlin Radio short-wave broadcasts featured unqualified statements that "England already has lost the hunger-blockade war."

The radiocast, according to Columbia, said England "is a country without peasants," that although 80 per cent of its soil is arable, only 5 per cent is under cultivation.

PRIVATE ON TRIAL

British Soldier Accused
Of Shooting Comrade.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.
Private Eckford, of the Seaforth Highlanders, was yesterday formally charged with the shooting of Lance Corporal Davis with a service pistol. He will be tried before the British Supreme Court.

"I have nothing to say Sir, and I reserve my defence." In a firm voice Private David Eckford spoke these words after he heard the charge of murder preferred against him by Mr. C. H. Haines, Registrar, in H.M. Police Court yesterday.

This ended the lengthy preliminary hearing of a charge during which evidence for the prosecution was offered in connection with events at "E" Blockhouse in the British military defence sector on North Tibet Road on the night of November 4 when Eckford was alleged to have shot and killed Lance/Cpl. James Davis, his Post commander at the time.

Eckford was committed for trial and remanded in custody.—Reuter.

SPOTLIGHT ON GERMANY TELEPHONE CENSORSHIP

Recent delays and difficulties in the way of telephoning to Germany from Holland are now known to have arisen from the fact that a list has been drawn up of those within Germany who are allowed telephone communication with foreign countries.

Up to the present there had been no difficulties placed in the way of Germans receiving calls from abroad. Now the privilege is limited to persons whose business or profession makes this necessary.

On the other hand, the German military telephone censorship now demands the fullest details of all persons making calls to Germany from foreign countries. Calls put in from Copenhagen to neutral newspaper correspondents in Berlin were met with the questions from the German exchange:

"Which of the numbers given is private and which is the office number? What kind of office is it? What is the newspaper that the correspondent represents and what is its nationality?"

War Area Extension Possible

The Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam "Telegraaf" states that an extension of the war area to south-eastern Europe must be reckoned as possible.

He does not, however, expect that there will be any developments in that direction until the negotiations between Finland and Russia have been terminated.

Industrialists' Alarmed

The trend taken by German policy is reported to be becoming more and more alarming for German industrialists and the middle classes on the one hand and the working classes on the other.

A Zurich message quotes as from a reliable source statements made by a traveller who has just returned to Zurich from Germany. He said that he had been able to see for himself how puzzled the people were, especially with regard to the Russian question.

Ignoring Italy

A special trade supplement to the "Frankfurter Zeitung" dealing with the prospect of German trade with south-east Europe with special appeal to Turkey makes no reference to Italy.

The Brenner railway to Munich and Milan is not even marked on the map accompanying the supplement though Italy is shown.

"Mein Kampf" takes A Rest

A woman journalist who has arrived in Zurich from Germany stated that since the German-Soviet pact was signed German public libraries have received instructions not to hand out Hitler's book, "Mein Kampf," and if asked for it to say it is already out.

Clothing By Coupons

All articles of clothing are to be rationed, and cards containing 150 coupons, valid for one year, are being issued.

A baby's jacket uses up 25 coupons, and a woman's coat between 40 and 50 coupons according to quality. Even ties must be obtained with coupons.

Employment Of War Maimed

Herr Oberlinndorfer, director of the Nazi organization for war wounded, announced over the radio that every factory and business in Germany would be expected to employ war-maimed men up to 1 to 2 per cent of their staffs.

Special offices have been opened to advise and help war widows.

Dutch For Soldiers

Special classes in Dutch have been set up in some of the main towns of Germany for German soldiers.

The following accounts of sea warfare and ship movements in the present European war are compiled from Associated Press dispatches.

Britain faced the problem today of retaining its important North Sea blockade in the face of the strategic demand for more warships to combat fast and powerful German surface raiders reported ranging the Atlantic.

The certainty that at least two German surface raiders had slipped through the North Sea blockade is now evident.

British naval circles contend that the combined navies of the world would not be sufficient to establish an airtight blockade of the Baltic. Officials said that on dark or stormy nights ships could pass within 100 yards of each other without being detected.

Reports of the German raiders caused a stir in London, overshadowing all other war news in the British press. On known speed records, only three British warships—the Battle Cruiser Repulse, Renown and Hood—are fast enough to overtake the German raiders. These three have been on North Sea duty.

The Deutschland, armed with six 11-inch, eight 5.9-inch and six 4.1-inch guns, has a speed of 20 knots—two knots faster than the general line of British capital ships. The Hood, Repulse and Renown, however, have 16-inch guns and a speed of over 30 knots.

The British Admiralty said it had "no present confirmation" that the Deutschland had evaded the blockade, but previously it admitted the possibility the Admiral Scheer was roving the Atlantic. The Admiral Scheer, the Deutschland and the Admiral Graf Spee are Germany's only pocket battleships.

In Brussels, Belgians returning from the Congo on the Steamer Elizabethville reported having seen five German ships in refuge at the Belgian Congo port of Boma, where they were said to have fled from the French submarine Surcouf.

The authoritative manual, Jane's Fighting Ships, says the 4,300-ton Surcouf is the largest submarine in the world. Completed in 1934, she is 361 feet long.]

LOSS OF NANNING

Tokyo, Dec. 5.

Reports from Nanning say that the Chungking Government has lost about 30 per cent of its foreign trade in the fall of Nanning. The route linking French Indo-China and China's interior via Nanning disappeared of about 10,000 tons of goods from abroad monthly.

As the result of the interception of the French Indo-China route, the Chungking Government is suffering from a shortage of gasoline and hundreds of motor-trucks are stranded.

along the so-called Red route linking Soviet Russia and North-west China.

Another blow is that the shipment of wood oil to America which furnished the security for the \$25,000,000 American loan to China has been interrupted. The construction of a railway between Indo-China and Kwangsi, the Kwangsi capital, has been interrupted by the fall of Nanning.—Domei

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Charles Kullman (Tenor) and the London Palladium Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 Dance Music.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Musical Comedy.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Dvorak—Concerto in A Minor, Op. 53, Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and Orchestre de la Societe des Concerts due Conservatoire conducted by Georges Enesco. Humoresque, Comedy Harmonists. From The Old and The New World. Fantasia, Pol. Dauber and His Salon Orchestra.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 A Short Piano Recital by Backhaus. Moment, Musicales in A Flat Major, Op. 94, No. 6 (Schubert); Solree de Vienne No. 6 (Schubert); Intermezzo in B Flat Minor, Op. 117, No. 2 (Brahms); Intermezzo in E Flat Major, Op. 117, No. 1 (Brahms).

7.05 Percy Fletcher—Sylvan Scenes Suite, London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Clifford Greenwood.

7.17 Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) Bedouin Love Song (Pin-suti); "A Lover in Damascus" (Wood-ford-Finden).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Orchestre Symphonique de Paris, Norwegian Rhapsody (Lalo).

8.10 Studio—"Some Great Poets"—G. Browning. A talk by Father Ryan, S.J.

8.30 Studio—Lalo Trio played by Pruo Lewis (Violin), J. R. M. Smith (Piano) and Ettore Flegatti (Cello).

9.00 Orchestral Interlude, Fantasia On Melodies of Johann Strauss (Weber), Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Beethoven—Quartet in C Sharp Minor, Op. 131, Busch Quartet.

10.15 Verdi—"Rigoletto" Act I. Singers in order of appearance: Dino Borgioli; Guido Ussi; Ida Mannarini; Riccardo Stracciari; Aristide Baracchi; Dulio Baroni; Eugenio Dall'argine; Ernesto Dominici, and Mercedes Casper with Full Chorus of La Scala, Milan, and the Milan Symphony Orchestra.

11.00 London Relay—"Matters of Moment." Talk by the Right Hon. Herbert Morrison, M.P.

11.15 Close Down.

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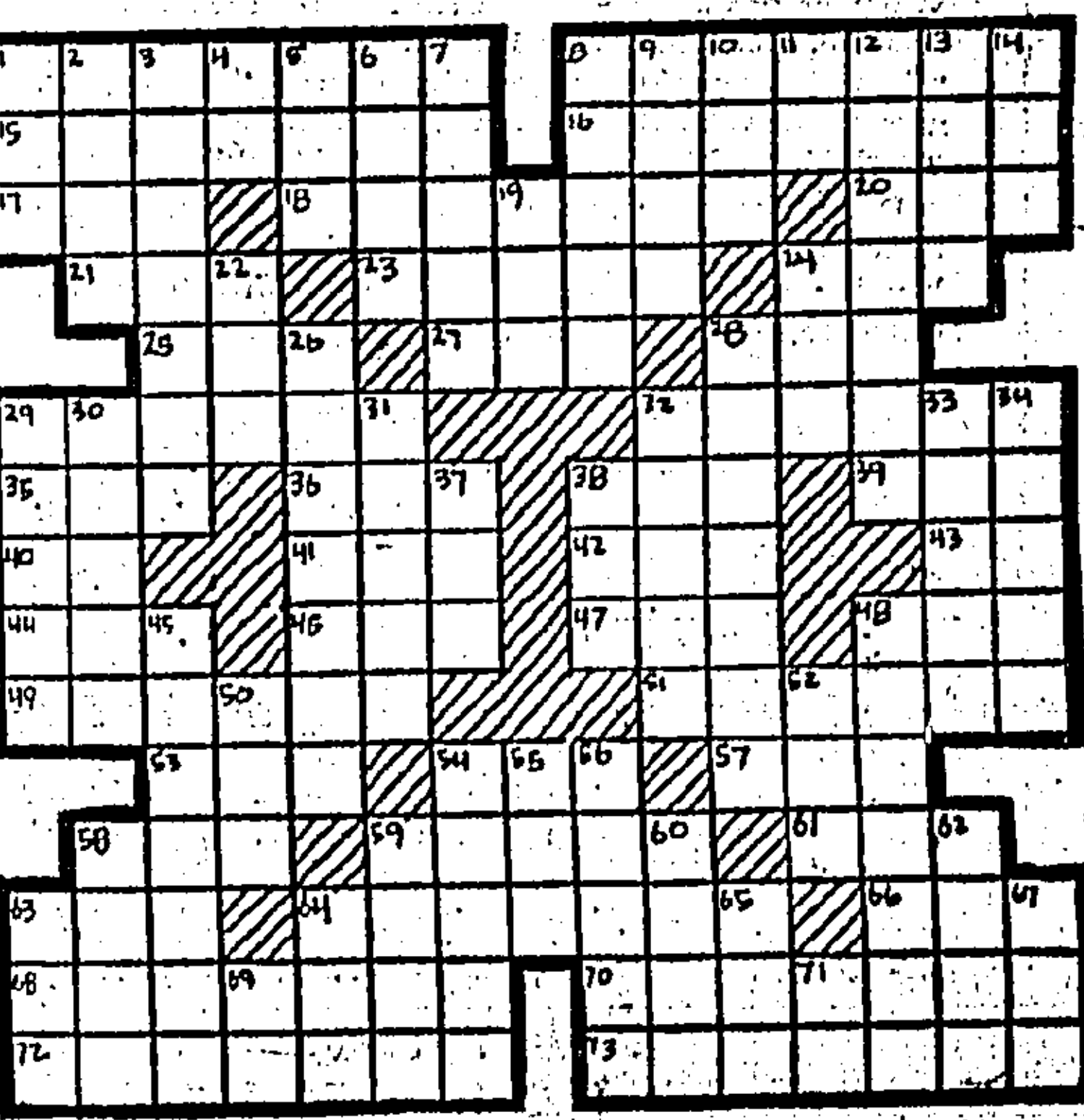
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8—Approaches
9—Vine of building
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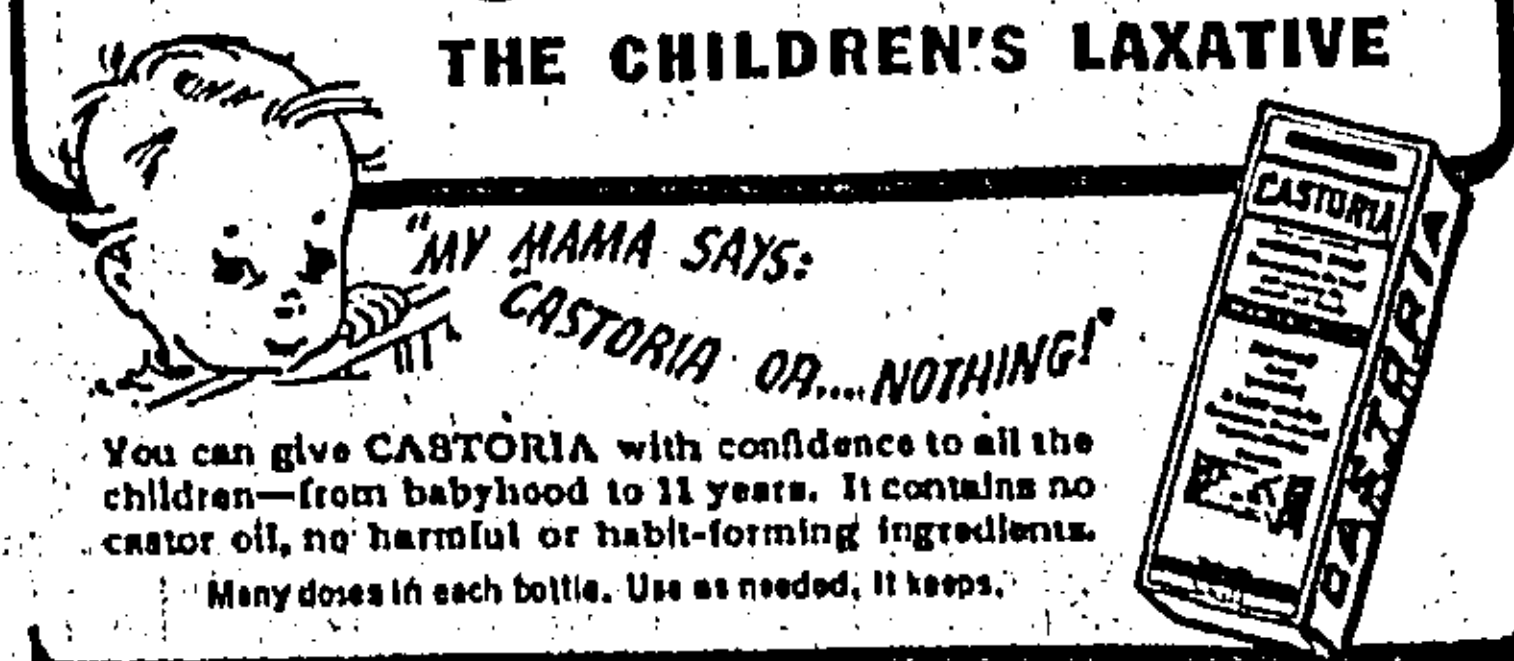


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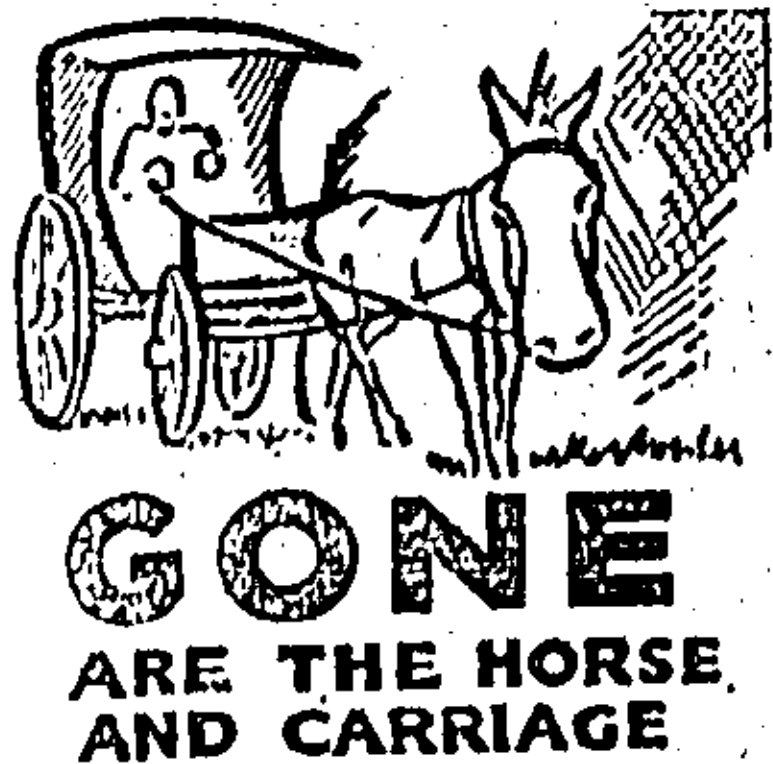
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Democracy At War

NO country, however democratic, can enter upon a great war without suffering a loss of freedom. When Britain took up the challenge of Reichsführer Hitler, Parliament and people did so with the full knowledge that war meant discipline and control, and submission to orders. Since the strength of a nation at war is not merely that of its armed forces, but depends upon the sum-total of the efforts of all the people in every sphere of life, it follows that the whole nation must submit itself to authority.

This is acutely felt in time of war. All men of a certain age are liable to military conscription. All industrialists, shipowners or railway owners must be prepared to put their factories, ships, or railways, at the disposal of the State. A man's house may be commandeered or have troops or civilians billeted in it. Shops are controlled, food may be rationed, light is restricted. At any time a Government department may issue an order imposing irksome restrictions upon the conduct of private citizens.

Such regimentation the people of Britain were prepared for. It was the price to be paid for the waging of war. All they ask is that the orders shall be wisely made, and that they should really be conducive to efficiency in running the vast machine of a nation at war. Armies of officials are necessarily formed, and they have great powers, but while the wise use of these powers makes for victory, the unwise use is a hindrance.

Government acts, of course, through various departments. One is concerned with the training of men for the army; another with the provision of skilled men for the war factories; another with the provision of food; another with taxation; another with the release and censoring of news. It may often happen that what appears helpful to one department will be an impediment to another. All the delicate balances which develop under the natural ebb and flow of freedom are likely to be thrown out when an entirely different organisation is artificially formed. There is needed calculated co-ordination not only in each department of State, but between the departments; and this indicates a skilled thinking organ.

But some of the considerations which make an intrusive "brain trust" objectionable in peace time are arguments on the other side in war time. In view of the magnitude of the task, the direction, that distinguished English economist, Sir William Beveridge, is urging the necessity not only of a control board for every important industry, but a central body of men trained in co-ordinating all departments.



WILL THE LIGHT PENETRATE?

How good is Germany's war material?

THE German army goes to war with equipment that has a number of weak points. In general, the material from which its weapons and machines is made is poor. The designs are usually excellent, but many have one considerable defect: they have been developed too quickly, and have not had enough serious testing before large-scale production was begun.

The material is poor mainly because it includes so many substitutes. The steel has too large a proportion of cheap scrap iron in it, and too large a proportion of low-grade "home-grown" iron ore.

The synthetic rubber, called "Buna" rubber, may be of service for some jobs, but does not stand up to war conditions. In particular it is not good enough for the tracks of tanks and tractors.

The Germans, in their civilian life, have a great love for extreme tidiness and regularity. Their roads are very smooth; on their aerodromes each grass-blade seems to be combed to stand to attention in exact line with the next grass-blade. And all their industries producing for home sales, for years, has been geared to produce fragile, lightweight goods that work quite nicely if treated with care.

Their industries producing for export have specialised in cheap things that do not last.

We have a great advantage over them there. Sometimes go-ahead people are inclined to laugh at the

British habit of making things to last "for ever." In a world of changing fashions and many inventions, it is not always economical to make things that will be out of date before they are worn out in normal civilian use.

But this is of great value in war. War consists of a continual series of crashes. Our vehicles, aeroplanes, etc., are not crash-proof, but they will stand much heavier bashing about than those of the Germans. Our machines and gadgets are not fool-proof, but you do not have to handle them as if they were made of tissue-paper.

When the artificial rubber pads on the tracks of a German tank tear or wear out, the steel is not good enough to stand the extra hammering of hard work on the road.

That is why the German mechanised divisions made such a poor show when advancing unopposed on Vienna in the spring of last year. A number of witnesses, including Americans, British and Austrians, have testified that several roads were blocked by broken-down vehicles.

One eyewitness wrote in the *Nation* of Belgium:

"There, in brilliant weather without snow or rain, stood broken-down German lorries, tanks and artillery tractors, in long lines on the Austrian roads, in pitiful immobility. One division lost no fewer than 45 heavy tractors out of 400."

The German tanks that saw action in the Spanish war appeared to "fade out" after a few

days of fighting, because of the number of breakdowns.

They also seemed to competent observers to be too lightly armed. Perhaps because of experience gained in Spain a new tank of about 25 tons has been developed in Germany, mounting a field-gun of about 3 inches and a smaller gun of 37mm., besides machine-guns.

This machine was first shown when a parade was held in Berlin to impress Prince Paul of Yugoslavia in June of this year. From the photographs one would judge that the Germans have now gone to the other extreme, and put into this medium-weight tank a heavier armament than can be used efficiently from such a gun-platform.

The German heavy artillery is mainly of new design, and little can be said of it until it has proved or disproved itself in action.

At another recent Berlin parade there was much comment on a new type of heavy gun, said to have a range of 20 miles, which was towed past the saluting base by tractors. It appeared to be 45 feet long and of 10 inch calibre.

This gun is towed in five sections: the gun-carriage, the cradle, the recoil and recuperator-gear, various bits and pieces, and last the gun-barrel itself.

The idea of splitting it up into these five components is to make it mobile. Heavy guns of this sort are usually moved with considerable difficulty and very slowly.

But what will happen if one of the tractors breaks down? What will be the use of this contraption if four parts get to the position but

the fifth is stuck somewhere miles behind?

One thing you soon learn, the ordinary business of war, is to keep things together in one place as much as possible. Odd detachable gadgets get lost.

Another question is whether these guns, which roll along merrily on good German roads, may not get badly bogged in Polish mud. In Ludendorff's memoirs there is a complaint that the German transport vehicles of 1915 were too heavy for the Polish front: he had to extemporise transport, using the local light peasant carts, which the Germans called "Panja" carts.

Yet the German transport of 1915 mainly consisted of solid four-wheeled wooden carts—much lighter than the motor vehicles they are now relying on for a considerable part of their road work. What will the dirt roads in the wheatfields be like, when rain comes and tractor columns have ploughed them up?

When these questions were asked of German officers in the past they answered that they would win their war in a few weeks, during the dry season. They talked of a lightning war, *Blitzkrieg*.

The trouble with lightning is that you never know when or where it will hit. It is not the sort of stuff sane men rely on. The Germans may find it burns their fingers, and more than their fingers, if they have relied on this "lightning" when designing their heavy artillery and the transport for it.

Their field artillery is still mainly horse-drawn. So is about 80 per cent. of their first-line infantry transport.

The reason for this is doubtless their shortage of motor vehicles, and probable shortage of petrol in war.

Sam Just Won't Leave The Army

A PROBLEM of patriotism, a problem in peace and war, is the British Army's oldest drummer, Acting-Sergeant Sam Thompson, of Framlingham, Suffolk.

He REFUSES to leave the Army. "We don't want to lose you, Sam, but we think you ought to go. You've already passed the age limit," they said.

Quartermaster-Sergeant Thompson, as he was then, looked up the regulations. Then he joined up again as a drummer.

"Now I can serve for another five years," he announced. And the authorities discovered that he could.

Now Drummer (Acting-Sergeant) Sam Thompson, aged fifty-four, pride of the 4th Suffolks, and holder of seven campaigner's medals, has volunteered for active service "for the duration."

"I said I was 'out there' last time, and I'm still as fit as a fiddle," Sam told the *Sunday Pictorial* yesterday. "Just let them try to leave me behind—that's all."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



Having Europe's best railway system, the Germans have neglected industrial road transport, compared with other nations, until quite recently.

They have not got the immense reserves of light and medium weight lorries possessed by England and France, or the factories to make them.

But the retention of horse-drawn transport and guns will tell heavily against their army. Horses and motors do not mix well. Horses move so slowly that lorries caught behind them have to run in low gear. Overheating and other troubles follow.

And horse transport is an excellent target for air attack. Horses cannot lie down, when harassed. They panic. If a lorry is hit, you tip it off the road and other lorries do not get scared and bolt. But horses do: and there is no more more heart-breaking than a few gun-teams well mixed and kicking with a horse or two dead and a limber in the ditch.

There is too much *ersatz*, too many ingenious ways of "making do," about the German army's war gear. When the strain comes that will tell.

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

KING VISITS FRONT

London, Dec. 5. His Majesty the King was with the troops in the big front line positions in France to-day, reports a correspondent with the British Expeditionary Force.

The King set off this morning accompanied by Viscount Gort and other Staff Officers for the first day's tour of the front line.

They visited all sections of the line from the billets in farmhouses to the remote villages at the rear to the line of forts and pill boxes along the front held by the various regiments.

Tanks, armoured cars and all manner of guns from the efficient little Bren anti-aircraft weapon to big howitzers are on parade for His Majesty.

It was not Royal weather as the King awoke in his chateau near General Headquarters to find it raining hard, with low clouds and little sign of improvement.—United Press.

Visit to R.A.F. Squadron

Paris, Dec. 5.

The King visited a R.A.F. fighter squadron this morning.

After lunch with a battalion of Guards, His Majesty will inspect the trenches, tank traps and other British Expeditionary Force positions in the front line.—Reuter, Bulletin.

In Camouflaged Car

London, Dec. 5.

The special correspondent "some-where in France" says the King, travelling in a powerful car daubed with streaks of paint rendering it almost invisible from the air, and carrying on its roof a net attached to which are pieces of rag and dead leaves, started this morning on visit to the B.E.F., accompanied by Viscount Gort and the Duke of Gloucester.—Reuter.

TRIBUTE TO FRENCH NATION

London, Dec. 5.

An eloquent tribute to the French nation for the enormous sacrifices for liberty which they have accepted was paid by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, now on a visit to Paris, in a broadcast address to the French last night.

"I express the view of all my countrymen in conveying to you their gratitude and their admiration," he said.

"I also bring to every Frenchman an assurance of complete support of the community of British nations. To the civilians, to the evacuees and to all French families who have suffered, I bring from our civilians, our evacuees and our families affected by the brutal war of submarines and mines, an assurance that our hearts are with you and share your suffering.

"We shall equally make a firm resolution that these sacrifices shall not be in vain, and the menace which has hung for so long over Europe shall be dispelled once and for all." Sir John assured his listeners that the people of England fully realised the magnitude of France's war effort. They realised, too, that the Maginot Line represented a great rampart of liberty in Europe—a rampart which they owed to the provision of French statesmen and French engineers, worthy descendants of Vauban.

They knew to defend this rampart France had mobilised 5,000,000 men, of whom 3,500,000 were under arms. They knew that the rich provinces of the east threatened by German guns had been evacuated and homes found elsewhere for 700,000 people—all accomplished with calm and resolution.

Addressing himself to the French army he gave an assurance that all Britain's resources in men and material would be at its side.

Frenchmen knew that in the last war the British Commonwealth mobilised 9,000,000 men, more than a million of whom had fallen. They would also know that the British people were to-day determined to furnish a no less complete effort for the common cause. Those already arrived were only the advance guard. Ever more numerous contingents would arrive and occupy increasingly important sectors of the firing line.

The Allied air forces had already their superiority over the enemy in man and material, and at sea the two navies despite losses to be expected in time of war, retained their supremacy, complete and uncontested.

"We have but one war aim—to vanquish the enemy and vanquish that aggressive and insolent spirit which always sought to dominate people by force. By uniting our resources and our efforts we shall at last succeed in re-creating a breathable atmosphere for those of all countries who seek only peace, work and liberty," said Sir John.—British Wireless.

Australian Army Pay Raised

CANBERRA, Dec. 5 (Reuter Special).—The Government has decided to increase the rates of army pay.

The militiamen have been receiving 8s a day under a plan which expires at the end of the financial year.

Thereafter they will receive 3s a day for wives and a shilling for each dependent child. The new rates will cost £200,000 a year extra.

TALK ON B.W.O.F.

In a broadcast over ZBW last night Lady Northcote, President of the British War Organisation Fund's Hongkong Branch, said:

I have been asked to speak to you this evening because there still seems to be a little doubt in some quarters as to what the object of the British War Organisation Fund is. It is to help the sick and wounded in England—whether men of the three fighting services, or civilians—men, women and children—who have suffered in consequence of air raids or the present ruthlessness of war. Also for prisoners of war in Germany and internees in neutral countries.

As you know, a public meeting was called at Government House on September 14, to discuss ways and means in which we could help, and Committee was started. On September 18, an appeal was published in all the British and Chinese newspapers, which said:

"We appeal for contributions to the Fund, the object of which is to be of service and comfort to British fighting men and civilians who may be the victims of the war between the Allies and Germany."

Part of the money raised here will be used to finance Hospital necessities made locally and sent to London, the remainder will be remitted to the main Fund in England.

No Sum Too Small

We trust sincerely and confidently that many generous contributions will be forthcoming for this noble purpose. At the same time we wish to make it clear that no sum is too small to be helpful to those sufferers.

This was published over the signatures of all the five Vice-Presidents: Lady Noble, Mrs. Grasett, Lady MacGregor, Lady Ho Tung and Lady Pollock, and my own as President.

This quotation should show, I think, what our aims are, and those of the whole Organisation. We have been able to send a first instalment of £10,000 home to the Red Cross for its work, and many of the women of Hongkong have been most hard working and public spirited in their efforts for the Organisation. Apart from women of British nationality whose duty is obvious, I would like to say how very grateful I am as President, to all those Chinese, American, Dutch, Portuguese, and Scandinavian ladies, whose work is so regular and so generous.

There are a number of centres working now. Lady Noble is arranging for all the naval people, and Mrs. Grasett is running several centres for the military people both on the Islands and in Kowloon. Mrs. Edwards is a centre for the Methodist Ladies' Society, Mrs. Fennie has one at Tulkoo, Mrs. Lock is running the whole of the knitting, Mrs. Mackenzie Dow has a centre for the Union Church, Mrs. Mackintosh and Mrs. Purves at the Bank, Mrs. Maughan for the Police, and Mrs. Pritchard for Chinese Customs. Mrs. Southard and Mrs. Biggar are running a centre for the American women here, Miss Shin Tak-hing has one for the Chinese Y.W.C.A., and Mrs. Wilcock has a centre at Stanley. Then at Whampoa Dock, Mrs. L. d'Almeida at the Club de Recreio, Mrs. Ingram for the Kowloon Union Church, and Mrs. Phillips—for Mrs. Smalley—at the U.S.R.C.

There may still be some people who would like to work, but who do not know where to go. May I take this opportunity of telling them all that there is really working centre in Government House to which every one is welcome, from 9 till 1 every day except on Saturdays.

Many people I know, cannot spare the whole morning, but if they can come for an hour or two, it all helps, and I shall be delighted to do anything I can to assist them. Also I am sure that our very kind Honorary Secretary, Mr. Raymond, who is giving the whole of his time to help us, will willingly answer any enquiries that anyone may wish to make. His office is now—temporarily—at Government House, but his telephone is still 22100.

I am very glad to be able to add that we hope shortly to send off nine large packing cases home to England, all filled lightly with the results of our labours.

CHINA AND RUSSIA Special Envoy Leaves On Flight to Moscow

Chungking, Dec. 5. It is confirmed in a report that Mr. Ho Yach-tai left this morning at 8 o'clock for Russia, via Sinkiang, aboard the first regular weekly flight between Chungking and Hami.

It is authoritatively stated that he will make use of the present air trip to interview Soviet officials in Moscow as Special Envoy of the Chinese Government, not as an Ambassador.—United Press.

INVASION OF FINLAND WILL HAVE VERY SERIOUS REACTIONS

London, Dec. 5.

The Soviet attack on Finland will have consequences at least as great as those which followed the Nazi invasion of Czechoslovakia in March, predicts Vernon Bartlett, in the *News Chronicle*.

Mr. Bartlett declares Stalin is likely to take other measures against General Chiang Kai-shek in China, as well as against the Democracies in Europe, to prove that he has reached the Napoleonic phase in his evolution, in which he is inspired much less by Communism than by imperialism.

No greater reinforcement has been given to reactionaries all over the world since 1917, than that which Stalin gave last week. It is true that Finland the most severe sufferer is likely to be Germany herself.

Not only in Britain and France will the invasion have a profound effect, for American interest in Europe will be revived and, more interesting still, Italy is becoming so hostile that the Italian Fascists are talking about war in the spring against Russia with the same fatalism as he showed last year when he talked about war with France.

This is important because it must deepen the rift inside Germany between the Nazis who hate and condemn the association with the Bolsheviks and those who see therein their strongest argument against the solid conservatism of the British Empire.

Mr. Bartlett states those people in London and Paris who, he asserts, are capable of arguing that "we must condone Germany's aggression in order to have her support in ending Russia's aggression," but if we learn from this latest aggression we must make it clear that our crusade is directed not against the Soviets or the Nazis but against those who still use war as an instrument of national policy.—Reuter.

All Britons Leave

Helsinki, Dec. 5. All British subjects have left Helsinki.—Reuter

KOWLOON WEDDING

Mr. A. G. Gardner And Miss L. D'Eremeeff

THE wedding took place very quietly at St. Andrew's Church yesterday afternoon, between Mr. Aubrey George Gardner, accounting assistant, and Miss Ludmilla D'Eremeeff.

The Rev. J. R. Higgs, Vicar of St. Andrew's officiated, and Mr. Rupert Baldwin was at the organ.

The bride is the youngest daughter of a Russian engineer, and was born in Saigon, Indo-China, and of Mrs. D'Eremeeff of 110, Austin Road, Kowloon. She was given away by Mr. A. F. Paul, of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., and looked charming in a crinoline dress of ivory tulle, with a long emerald velvet veil held in place by a pearl tiara. The gown was made by Mary-Rita of Saigon. White gladioli composed the bride's bouquet.

The bridegroom is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Irving Gardner, of Harrow, Middlesex, England.

Miss Marina D'Eremeeff attended her sister as bridesmaid, in a dress of white moire tulle appliqued in blue, with matching bolero. She carried a Victorian posy of white gladioli.

Mr. L. Sykes, of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, undertook the duties of best man.

The bride's mother attended the ceremony in a smart gown of vicuña-rose French crepe.

The reception was held at the bride's residence.

CITY SKYSCRAPER Eight-Storey Building For Queen's Road

Another big modern building is to be erected shortly in Queen's Road Central. It will have eight floors and is estimated to cost over \$200,000. Plans for the structure have been completed and work will be taken in hand early next year.

The building, which is designed chiefly for a hotel, will be situated at the junction of Queen's Road Central and Stavisky Street, with frontages on Queen's Road and Wellington Street. The owner is Mr. James W. H. Lo, and the architect Mr. P. L. L. Blau, of Dina House.

The work of demolishing the present premises is to be taken in hand shortly, and it is expected that the new building will be completed by the end of next year.

The top five floors will be hotel rooms. The ground floor will be for shops, two in Queen's Road and three in Wellington Street, and the first and second floors will be reserved for a restaurant and dance hall. Two lifts will be provided.

The hotel will be modern in every way and is expected to be one of the best Chinese-owned hotels in the Colony. Spacious rooms, with bathrooms attached, and excellently furnished, will be provided on all floors. Special suites too will adorn each floor.

The present building on the site, the Sing Hotel, was built in 1902. A decade or so ago it was a well-known hostelry patronised by seafarers.

Detective Stories

Writers Not Now Outcasts, Says Father Donnelly

An interesting and original paper on "The Modern Detective Story" was read by the Rev. Fr. D. Donnelly at the meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the English Association, held at the Helena May Institute yesterday.

Fr. Donnelly said that it was not very long ago when writers of thrillers and detective stories were the outcasts of the literary world, but nowadays, that was all changed, and the construction of a detective story had taken on some of the elements of a chess problem, and had become a scientific achievement.

Fr. Donnelly then described the difference between the detective story in the modern sense, and the thriller, among the modern writers of detective stories described by Fr. Donnelly were Austin Freeman, Freeman Wills Crofts, G. K. Chesterton, Conan Doyle, Agatha Christie, Edgar Wallace, S. S. Van Dine, E. C. Bentley and Margaret Cole.

The speaker declared that in his opinion, the "big four" of detective fiction were Sherlock Holmes, Chief Inspector French, Hercule Poirot and Dr. Thorndyke, while the real master of detective fiction in the strictest sense of the word was the creator of Chief Inspector French—Freeman Wills Crofts.

Fr. G. Byrne, who presided over the meeting, thanked the speaker, and announced that Mr. H. C. Macnamara would read a paper on "Biography" at the next meeting to be held on January 2.

Japan And America

TOKYO RECOGNISES TREATY RIGHTS

TOKYO, Dec. 5.—Following yesterday's second interview between the Foreign Minister, Admiral Nomura and the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph C. Grew, Japan is awaiting the next move from America in connection with the proposed adjustment of relations.

During yesterday's meeting, both sides affirmed a desire not to let the traditional friendships to break down. Although the question of the Japanese-American commercial pact was not taken up, various basic problems for an adjustment of the relations were discussed in a "constructive spirit."

Admiral Nomura pointed out that it is a misunderstanding to consider that Japan's military and political activities in China are aimed at driving out the interests of Occidental powers. Japan intends to respect the legitimate rights and interests of third Powers.

Large-scale Fighting

The damage done to American interests as the result of Japanese bombings or acts of interference in China is due to entirely unexpected events in connection with military operations, while the inconveniences in trade in China are also the inevitable restrictions arising from the continuous military operations.

As a pre-requisite for settling the pending questions which number some 600, it is necessary to recognise the actual situation in China where large-scale military operations are still going on.

Admiral Nomura suggested that the authorities "on the spot" who are best versed in the actual conditions should most advantageously be made to enter into negotiations, while it is also necessary for the Central authorities to deal with these questions from the technical standpoint.

With regard to treaty rights and important principles bearing on American foreign policy, the Foreign Minister expressed the hope to seek adjustment.

Calling attention to the reported opinions prevailing in some sections of America advocating concentration of fleet forces in the Pacific or an anti-Japanese exports embargo, Admiral Nomura said that Japan would not be able to conduct negotiations for an adjustment of Japan-American relations under such pressure or threats.

Economic Blockade

Replying, Mr. Grew was understood to have hinted that the relations should not be wrecked due to temporary difficulties nor should the reported branches in their relations be taken advantage of by a third Power for ulterior purposes. Mr. Grew emphasised that the American people believe that they are in possession of unimpeachable evidence showing that Japan is attempting to establish its supremacy in a specified wide area of China and enforce a blockade economy.

It will provide a key to improve the American relations if Japan can offer concrete proofs sufficient to remove the above-mentioned apprehensions. In the event their misgivings about various principles regulating the interests in China

Norway Remains Neutral

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 5 (UP).—The Prime Minister, M. Stauning, made a statement in Parliament to-day proclaiming Danish neutrality in the Russo-Finnish hostilities.

NORWAY'S CONCERN

OSLO, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—"The Finnish appeal to the League is the principal cause of the meeting," said the Norwegian Foreign Minister, M. Koht, in a statement to the Norwegian News Agency.

"As much for our own sake as for that of Finland, we wish peace to be restored as soon as possible, and consequently the other northern countries must seek means to replace war by peaceful negotiations."

SWEDEN MOBILISES

Stockholm, Dec. 5. It is estimated in some quarters that seventy per cent. of the Swedish population favour active intervention in favour of Finland.—Reuter.

Sweden Mobilising

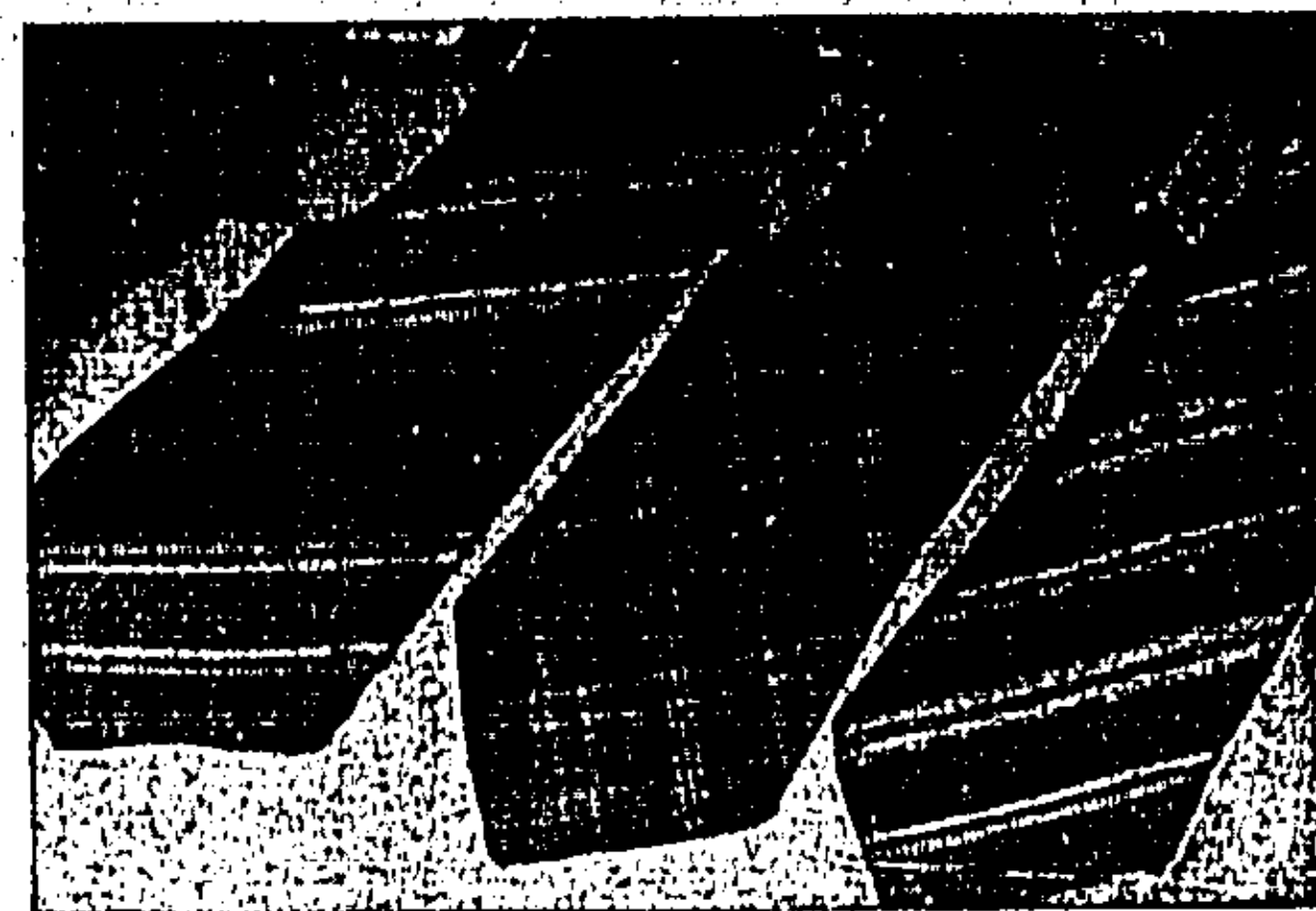
Stockholm, Dec. 5. Fifteen classes have been called up for partial mobilisation, most of whom will be sent to the Swedish-Finnish frontier.—United Press.

Sweden Takes Precautions

London, Dec. 5. Preparations are proceeding in Stockholm to evacuate civilians in case of an emergency and a scheme has been prepared in addition to which families are urged to make their own evacuation arrangements.

This does not mean that the authorities anticipate an immediate emergency.

As regards Sweden desiring to fight for Finland, the position is that if they are not recruited on Swedish soil there is no law forbidding Sweden to offer their services to a foreign Government.—Reuter.



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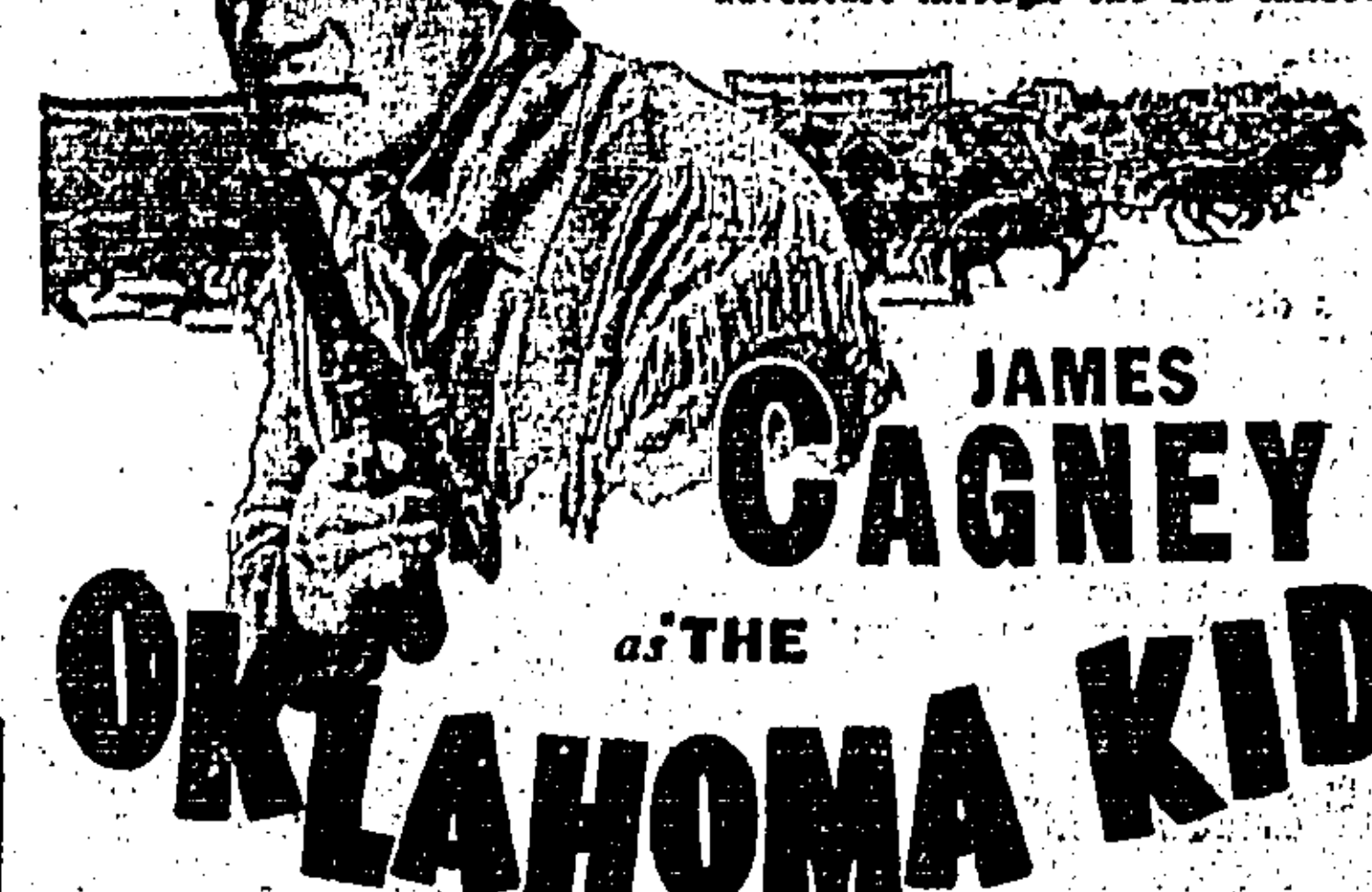
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BRIGHT ARRAY OF GOLFERS

To Take Part In Manila Open Tourney

Manila, Nov. 22 (UP).—The strongest array of foreign golfers ever to invade Manila will participate in the 28th annual \$5,000 Philippine Open tournament which starts here January 5, 1940.

H. J. Belden, president of the Wack Wack Golf and Country Club, has announced that several stars from the United States, Australia and Japan have accepted invitations to participate.

Among the Americans who have signified their intention to seek golfing fame and money half-way around the world from home are "Jug" MacSpaden, holder of the 1939 Canadian Open crown, and the Zimmerman brothers, Al and Mery, of Portland, Oregon.

Heading a delegation of Australians will be Norman von Nida, who will attempt to win his third Philippine Open title in as many years. With him will be Eric Cronin, a veteran Anzac professional, Jim Ferrer, holder of the Australian Open title the past two years, and Sam Richardson, former Australian Open champion.

At least 12 Japanese professionals and amateurs are expected to participate. In the last tournament the Japanese monopolised practically all the places from second to the tenth. Scene of the Philippines' Number One golfing event is the Wack Wack



An exciting moment during the Final of the Subalterns' Cup Polo Competition between the Royal Scots and the Fixed Defences on Monday. The former team won by six goals to three.—Mae Cheung.

Tracing The Origin Of Plus-Fours In Golf

TALK among the elders in the clubhouse swung from arms and the man to clothes and the golfer. Somebody wondered, writes Leo Munro in the *Daily Express*, what effect the war would have on golfing attire.

There was, he said, a precedent if one thought back to the 1914-18 campaigns, which, in his opinion, must be held responsible for producing those baggy nether garments known as "plus fours."

HE claimed that the guards, as uniformed in that stormy period, were the parents of plus fours—that their long trousers and short puttees gave enterprising tailors the idea for long, loose knickerbockers draped over smart stockings.

He may have been right in thinking of one style and cut. But generous lines, akin to plus fours, were in fashion years and years before the first world war.

Well, maybe not in fashion. Still, people wore them when the twentieth century was very young.

1906 "VARSITY MATCH" The camera cannot lie. I have reached my memory by looking up some photographs of the 1906 Varsity match at Hove.

And there, in the Oxford group, is Lord Maudslone, a wearer of plus fours. One or two of his team-mates are shown in the knee-tight knickers of that era.

Lord Maudslone is unquestionably plus-foured by comparison in his check-patterned, baggy trousers. And I have a snapshot, which confirms the plus-four idea, of Lord Maudslone following through.

I suggest then, a much earlier beginning than 1918-19 for the "baggy trousers," which had gone out of fashion before the present year. The next return of happy days may bring a contrast—shorts for all, perhaps. I shall be surprised if there is ever a revival of formal "uniform" for golf.

GRANDFATHER'S ATTIRE

PLAYERS never really liked it. Our grandfathers, who played on more or less open courses, had to wear red coats as danger signals for the general public.

A younger generation of golfers jibbed at such "fancy dress." And, anyhow, it wasn't necessary as private courses grew in numbers, and if one player bagged another with an ill-directed shot the victim was merely a fellow-member of the club.

Knickerbockers, tight and baggy, had their ins and outs of fashion. Snobbishness played its part in these. All the would-be smart amateurs affected tight-kneed knickers when England first felt the golf boom, away back in the naughty 'nineties.

AN AMATEUR PRIVILEGE

AN amateur privilege, mark you. Professionals in those days were expected to look like trousered working men, and, in general, not to dress very well.

But professionals gradually upset convention as their status improved. The two famous brothers, Harry and Tom Vardon, were leaders in a smart-attire movement.

One effect was knicker suits for professionals, and a decline in that fashion among amateurs, though the most distinguished of them made no change.

Human nature did not alter a lot with the passing of the years. Professionals again followed the lead of the amateurs when the fancy was for plus-fours.

I don't know if it "just happened" after that, but many of the (in one sense) plus-four amateurs are now untidy-looking in sloppy trousers. So, for that matter, are many of the professionals. Which suggests that, after all, at any rate, may have been settled.

Von Cramm In German Army

Baron Gottfried von Cramm, the German tennis star, is the latest of a long list of leading sportsmen who have joined the Army. Cramm, who has been living in Sweden since his release from prison last year, has returned to Germany and joined up, according to a report reaching Copenhagen.

STARTING TIMES FOR SERVICES MEET

The United Services Golf Meeting will be held to-morrow at Fanning, by kind permission of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

The Talpo Belle will run specially from Kowloon Railway Station, leaving at 8.27 a.m., and arriving at Sheung Shui at 9 a.m., and returning at 5.41 p.m.

In connection with this meeting, a special prize will be given for the best net score returned over 36 holes by players, not otherwise prize-winners, of handicaps 19 to 24, full handicaps being deducted.

OLD COURSE

9.10 a.m. Pinkerton and Drew-Wilkinson
9.20 a.m. Peggus and Lawrence
9.30 a.m. Wilkinson and Colson
9.40 a.m. Ingram and Hickman
9.50 a.m. Hilly and Tracey
10.00 a.m. Ray and Carter
10.10 a.m. Robertson and Webb
10.20 a.m. Archer and Taylor
10.30 a.m. Way and Whitehead
10.40 a.m. Leach and Holmes
10.50 a.m. Nicholson and Harvey
11.00 a.m. Penfold and Temple
11.10 a.m. Giles and Marriott
11.20 a.m. Chatterley and Newton
11.30 a.m. Page and Barclay
11.40 a.m. Brown and Taylor
11.50 a.m. Burn and Gliberton
12.00 p.m. Moffatt and Tomlinson
12.10 p.m. Holt and Agnew
12.20 p.m. Shackleton and Rudolf
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GOLF CLUB DRAWS

The draw of the match play stages of the Captain's Cup of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club resulted as follows:

McGarry (10) v. G. Riddell (Carre)
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S. Howard (6) v. J. Reidy (21) v. G. D. S. Thompson (16) v. C. H. Burton (10) v. Littlejohn (10) v. M. S. Lloyd (15) v. J. Smith (20) v. W. Hewitt (13) v. S. T. Bullin (18)
First round to be played on or before January 1, 1940; second round by January 15; final by January 28; and final by February 11.

The World Of Sports

Dempsey's Financial Comeback; Honour For Garcia; Sam King Heads Golf Averages

Jack Dempsey, who is on his way to Manila to referee the Ceferino Garcia-Glen Leo fight on December 16 for which he is to receive approximately P20,000—the highest fee for a referee in the history of boxing—is likely to be a millionaire again before long. According to Jacob Amron, his restaurant partner in New York, he is at present worth more than \$750,000 and within 18 months he will be a millionaire again.

Six years ago Dempsey was broke although at one time he had between three and five million dollars which he had earned during the hey-day of Tex Rickard.

He lost his world heavyweight title to Gene Tunney in September, 1928 and, like all other heavy champs, he failed to regain his crown. But differing from ex-champs and ex-fighters in virtually every division, he is rehabilitating himself financially; and that, is a greater comeback than any he could have pounded out in the ring.

Besides his restaurant business, he is also in the tailoring and liquor trade, and although he has not been taking an active part in boxing for a long time he is still much sought after as a referee as shown by his latest engagement—the Garcia-Lee bout.

AND talking of this fight, it may be of interest to know that Garcia has won the world middleweight championship over Al Hostak by fourteen votes to one. The third Filipino to win a world boxing title, Garcia received an enthusiastic welcome from his countrymen when he arrived at Manila towards the end of his month, and by defending his title on his native soil he has achieved the ambition of every Filipino boxer.

His will be the second "world championship" meet in Manila in 14 years. The first was held in 1925 when the late Pancho Villa successfully defended his flyweight crown against Clever Sencio. Both these fighters died later following bouts in the United States.

Garcia is the third Filipino to gain recognition as world champion. The first was Villa and the second Smol Montano, who defeated Midget Wolgast in 1935.

The fight on December 16 is likely to be a big draw as steamship companies are arranging special excursion rates for fans in the southern islands as far as 400 miles from Manila.

ANOTHER Filipino who has been honoured by the Boxing Writers' Association of New York, is Little Dado, who has been voted the world flyweight champion. The Association has also honoured Bill Conn, world light-heavyweight title holder, by awarding him the Edward J. Neil Memorial Plaque for making the outstanding contribution to boxing during 1939.

THOUGH not a winner of any of the four events in which he took part, Sam King, the young Knole Park assistant, heads the averages in the list of professional golfers who have competed in the major stroke tournaments in the past season in Britain. These were the Daily Mail at Bournemouth, Silver King at Moor Park, the Open Championship at St. Andrews, the Irish Open at Newcastle and the News Chronicle at East Brighton.

King's average for 16 rounds was 72.87 which compares with Reginald Whitcombe's 73 for 20 rounds and Henry Cotton's 73.25 for 12 rounds—the minimum number of rounds to qualify. A. H. Padgham has the same average as Cotton.

The number of strokes which King took for the four competitions was 1,160, against R. A. Whitcombe's 1,450, Cotton's 870 and Padgham's 1,172.

NOTHING left to conquer is the enviable record of Chalcedon, the magnificent thoroughbred owned by Mr. W. L. Brann, of New York, which stands as the undisputed king of the three-year-old racing world. The war ruined Chalcedon's chances for a visit to England this autumn and a shot at the Ascot Gold Cup next year, as had been planned.

Chalcedon's achievements this year include winning the Arlington Classic, beating Kynk II in the Narragansett Special, and breaking the world's record for a mile and 3-16ths in winning the \$5,000 Transer Purse event, in the time of 1 min. 54.75 secs., which beats the former mark of 1 min. 55 secs. set by Discovery in 1934.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

In second round of the women's doubles Colony championship at the U.S.R.C. yesterday, Mrs. Hyde and Mrs. Litton beat Mrs. L. R. Andrews and Miss A. Taylor 6-4, 4-0, 7-5.

Cricket FASTEST CENTURY AWARD

Ames Repeats Feat Of 1936

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Sir Walter Lawrence announces that the trophy which he presents annually for the fastest hundred will go to Leslie Ames, of England and Kent, for the second time during his career.

On July 11 at the Oval, Ames completed a century in 67 minutes. Altogether he scored 130 and was primarily responsible for Kent beating Surrey by seven wickets. After Garland-Wellis declared, Kent hit off 231 runs in less than two hours, gaining a brilliant victory with 25 minutes to spare.

Last season was the sixth in which the Lawrence Trophy was up for contest and Ames repeated his success of 1936 when he made his century in 68 minutes for an England XI against India at Folkestone. The other winners of the trophy have been: Woolley, Gimblett, Hardstaff and H. T. Bartlett.

Hardstaff holds the record in this event. In 1937 he hit 100 against Kent at Canterbury in 51 minutes.

Bryn Jones Looking For Employment

LONDON.—The war has certainly made a difference in the value of soccer players. Only a short time ago, managers were going around waving large cheques for players, but now these same players are looking for work.

The world's most expensive footballer, Bryn Jones, for whom Arsenal paid Wolverhampton Wanderers £14,000 about a year ago, is unable to find employment in London. He tried to join the A.R.P. Police War Reserve and other war-time services, but without success, so he is returning to Wales.

Bryn Jones is not playing for Arsenal in the Regional competitions for Mr. George Allison, Arsenal's manager, says that the club cannot afford to pay his travelling expenses to and from Wales, so Cardiff City will have the services of this expensive player for just his weekly wage.

Another Arsenal player, Currier, the Welsh international winger, has also been given permission to play for Cardiff City.

WILLIE BUCHAN Another high-price player to return to his home country is Willie Buchan, the Scottish forward whose introduction into English football cost Blackpool £10,000 less than two years ago.

Buchan has returned to his home town, Grangemouth, and his old club Glasgow Celtic, has received permission from Blackpool to play him.

Peter McKenna is another major star who had English Managers out-bidding each other for his services. One club offered Patrick Thistle £12,000 for his services last season but this was refused. McKenna, however, happened to be in North Wales recently and he turned out for Wrexham, so this little Third Division side had a star whom they never expected to see, playing for them.

Pro. Tennis Makes Money In U.S.

BEVERLY HILLS, Nov. 22.—The annual tournament of the National Professional Tennis Association this year made money—\$800—for the first time in its 13 year existence, the Association has announced. In this year's championship, Ellsworth Vines wrested the National Professional singles title from Frederick J. Perry of England. Vines, it was also announced, earned \$340 for the singles tournament, plus \$113 for his play in the doubles, while Perry, singles runner-up, collected altogether \$317 for both singles and double play.

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"BIRDIE" IN CAMP

"Birdie" being in camp, his weekly article on golf will not appear to-day. He will resume next week.

Golf and Country Club in Manila's suburbs. It is considered one of the finest golf plants in the Far East. A statement by no less an authority than Gene Sarazen attests to the claim that the layout is an A-1 test to a golfer's skill. Said "Birdie" Gene after an exhibition round last year: "If anybody ever breaks par on this thing, please write and let me know."

DATES BACK TO 1913

Although the Philippine Open dates back to 1913, it was not until last year that it took on an international aspect. The 1938 event marked the first time sufficient inducements were offered to attract foreign stars. But then only golfers from the Far East participated. Last January, John Montague, the "mystery" golfer and a Hollywood favourite, crossed the ocean expressly for the tourney and was thus the first American to invade the local open. With at least three Americans assured for the 1940 event, there is promise that the tournament committee's dream of making Manila the nucleus of a Far Eastern circuit may be realised.

Under present plan, Open tournaments would be held in Japan, Siam, Australia, India, the Straits Settlements and Manila during the fall months—off-season in the States—and would offer an annual junket to the Orient.

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 16th December, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 7th December, 1939. By Order,

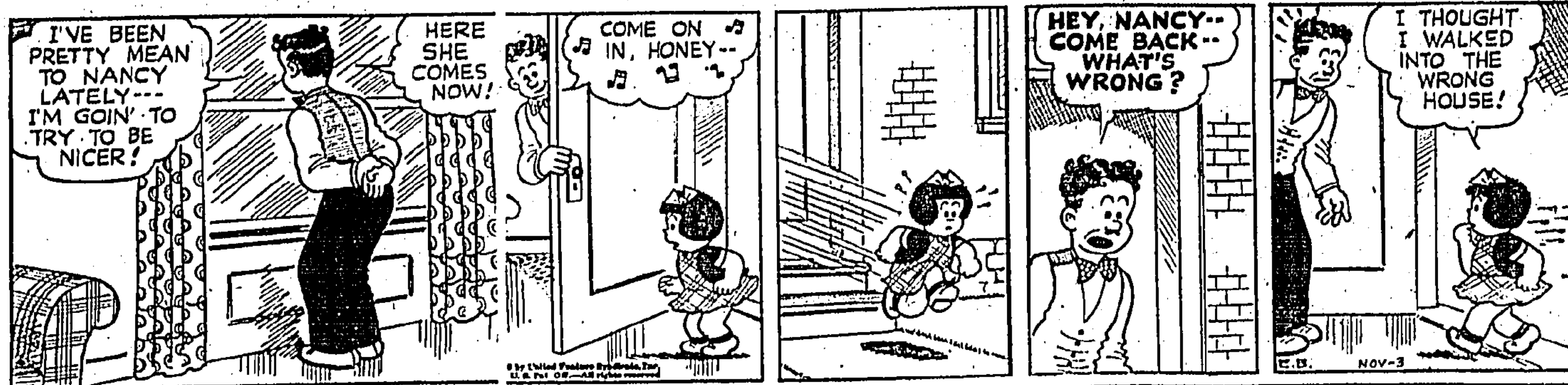
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HelpChinese Envoy Thanks
U.S. For Gestures

New York, Dec. 5. The Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Hu Shih, in a speech at the Town Hall, said despite Russia's announced desire for better relations with Japan there was no indication that the Soviet had abandoned or will abandon her assistance to China.

The Japanese have made overtures for negotiations, but Russia apparently still continues to help China. "It is quite possible that the European situation may force the British and French to make some minor concessions to Japan on the mainland of Asia, but we are reasonably confident that these democratic Powers will not betray or desert China, which for two years has been fighting the world's first battle against aggression."

The speaker said the Import Bank credit of \$25,000,000 enable China to obtain credits from other countries of over \$50,000,000. It had a magnificent reviving spirit in the morale of Chinese resistance, because it made China understand that she was not deserted by her friends in the darkest hours of her distress.

The United States again in China gave the "magic touch" by announcing in July the abrogation of the 1911 trade treaty. This once more gives the greatest encouragement to the Chinese nation because it came at a time when Britain was just forced to make an important concession to Japan in the negotiations in Tokyo.

Discussing the effect of the European war on China, Dr. Hu said that the original fear had been that the original fear had been that the Russo-German Pact now, and is shamefully trying to bluff the democratic nations by threatening to join hands with Russia in ideological concession.

It was estimated that Japan was losing 800,000 soldiers annually. The world was witnessing one of the greatest tragedies in human history by a great nation lightheartedly throwing overboard the glorious achievements of 60 years in foolishly committing hara-kiri on a gigantic scale.—United Press.

STOCK MARKET
REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Business recorded during the day is a distinct improvement on that reported for a considerable time. H.K. Bunkers, Trams, Cements, Watsons and Government 4% Loan were traded in good quantities, whilst Providents, Dairy Farms, Government 3½% Loan & Telephones came to business in lesser quantities. At close enquiries in few directions were still unsatisfied. Prices on the whole continue to show improvement.

Buyers
H.K. Bank \$1,200
Bank of East Asia \$11
Canton Ins. \$200
Douglases \$70
Docks \$12
Providents \$420
H. & S. Hotels \$4.05
H. & S. 53
Humphreys \$74
Realities \$10
Chinese Estates \$100
Tramways \$10
Peak Trams (Old) \$7.70
Peak Trams (New) \$2.35
Peak Trams \$10
Yat-nai Perries \$25
China Lights (Old) \$7.05
Electric \$11
Sandakan Lights \$11.4
Telephones (Old) \$25
Telephones (New) \$7.4
Cements \$10.4
Ropes \$5.10
Dairy Farms (Old) \$20
Dairy Farms (New) \$19
Watsons \$8.4
Entertainments \$2.20
Constructions \$1.70
Sellers
H.K. Steamboats \$12
Docks \$19.4
Providents \$4.40
H. & S. Hotels \$4.00
Lands \$3.4
Watsons \$2.25

Sales
H.K. Bank \$1,200
Providents \$420
Docks \$12
Telephones (Old) \$23.4
Cements \$10.4
Dairy Farms (Old) \$20
Watsons \$8.4
H.K. Govt 3½% Loan \$97
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DENUNCIATION OF
RED INVASION LED
BY AMERICA

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American Consulate General shouting anti-Soviet slogans. Several groups attempted to march on the Soviet Embassy but steel-helmeted grenadiers blocked the route and dispersed the demonstrators.

A delegation of ten students called on the Finnish Minister on behalf of university students throughout Italy and expressed their admiration for the Finnish stand against their all-powerful neighbour.

The Finnish Minister said he would send their greetings to Finnish students.

German Pressure?

Reports are current that Germany may bring pressure to bear on Russia to reach a peaceful settlement with Finland in order to please Italy.

These reports are based on the sudden departure for Berlin of the German Ambassador.

The authoritative newspaper "Messagero," in an editorial to-day, said that Russia would encounter trouble if she attempted to push southward to the Balkans.

Nazis Recalled

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—It is reported that First Secretary Nikolai Ivanoff and two other members of the Soviet Embassy in Berlin have been suddenly recalled to Moscow.

The reason for the move is not revealed.

The comment is caused in Berlin by the action, which comes at a moment, when Germany urgently desires her relations with Russia to appear "outwardly cordial."

BRAVE RESISTANCE
BY THE FINNS

(Continued from Page 1.)

from the Soviet minelayer Karl Marx completed the occupation of Soviet warships from Kronstadt base had shelled the island from behind a smoke screen.

Red dispatches indicate that the Red troops on the Karelian Isthmus north of Leningrad are encountering unexpected difficulties including tank barriers, minefields, and anti-tank guns.

The dispatches added that camouflaged amphibian tanks and caterpillar tractors are overcoming these obstacles with a minimum of losses, although progress is slow.

Reds Using "Dum-Dums"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—An official Finnish communiqué states that in the three days of fighting in the Karelian Isthmus, 64 Russian tanks were taken.

In one fight alone, 2,000 Russians were killed.

The Finnish authorities have evidence proving that the Russians are using "dum-dum" bullets and also that they are shooting their own men from behind.

In the fierce fighting at Salmi, many prisoners were taken.

In one engagement, eight out of ten Russian tanks were destroyed.

The prisoners taken said that they had been told that it would take five or six days to conquer Finland and that Finland was the aggressor.

Small Finnish Losses

The Finn losses in the last few days are stated to be very small.

The Russians have taken the Island of Tutasari.

The Finns have moved inland.

There is no air fighting owing to the weather, but Finnish planes have made reconnaissance flights and have bombed enemy troops.

Toys For
Christmas

Little people this Christmas will be able to have an even happier time than usual as the toys on sale in the premises of Millington Ltd. are priced at exceptionally low rates. This has been made possible by the generous contribution of toys from the public; the studios of Millington Ltd. then repaired the toys restoring all their original cheery brightness, and now on Saturday from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. these attractive toys will be displayed for sale. Rocking horses, a beautiful doll's house, a doll's pram, and a huge family of dolls, bears, elephants and rabbits, ten sets, games, a girl's bicycle, a boy's bicycle, a tricycle etc. etc., all waiting to be purchased at very reasonable prices at the offices of Millington Ltd., first floor, King's Building. The proceeds will go to the British War Organisation Fund.—Contributed.

Pasteurisation

URBAN
COUNCIL
AGREES

Mr. W. J. Carrie presided at a meeting of the Urban Council yesterday when an important amendment regarding the pasteurisation of milk was passed by the Council. The amendment states that no milk or cream will be regarded as pasteurised if it contains:

(a) before pasteurisation, more than 200,000 bacteria per cubic centimetre and/or any bacillus coli communis in the one-thousandth (0.001) of a cubic centimetre or,

(b) after pasteurisation, and before or during delivery for sale, more than 30,000 bacteria per cubic centimetre and/or any bacillus coli communis in one-tenth (0.1) of a cubic centimetre.

Speaking in support of the motion, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto said: The motion before the Council is a step in the right direction and I am glad to vote in favour of it.

I must say, however, that the demand for a pre-pasteurisation standard may give rise to some doubt in the public mind as to the efficacy of the pasteurisation process, particularly when it is considered that in 1937 (when pasteurisation was not yet compulsory) the bacteriological examination of the pasteurised milk from a certain dairy gave rise to the following comment by the Chairman of Urban Council: "The Company's pasteurised milk is regularly examined bacteriologically by the Government Bacteriologist and the reports are far from satisfactory. The Health Officer (Dr. Pope) states that the only reason he can advance to explain these unsatisfactory reports is that the present pasteurisation plant is a 'makeshift' one and has too much piping with awkward bends which render it incapable of being satisfactorily cleaned after use. The Company has on order a new plant and when this is placed in operation it is expected that results will be better."

Unfavourable Report

It was because of one particularly unfavourable bacteriological report dated August 13, 1937 that on the advice of Dr. Pope I caused a notice to be published in the press on August 19 to 21 warning the public to boil "all milk" before drinking "owing to the prevalence of Cholera" (8.9.37). In view of this statement coupled with the need for the introduction of the present amendment, notwithstanding the fact that pasteurisation is now compulsory and under direct Government supervision and in view of the reason given by and Director of Medical and Sanitary Services in its support that "in practice difficulty has been experienced in ensuring that pasteurisation has in fact been carried out" and "hence the need of a bacteriological standard," the public would welcome an assurance from the Chairman that the process is being carried out efficiently and satisfactorily, and that there is no danger of a feeling of false security being created.

Replying to Dr. Basto, Dr. T. W. Ware, vice-Chairman, said the idea underlying the proposal had nothing to do with any unfavourable bacteriological report and assured Dr. Basto that the process would be carried out efficiently and satisfactorily.

Appointment of Special Officers

The appointment of Drs. T. H. Ware, R. H. Jones, H. H. Tai and T. M. Tsol and special officers with extra powers under the Food Ordinance was confirmed by the Council. Applications for a food preserving licence for the premises at rear of No. 6, Sai On Street, Aberdeen; food preserving licence for No. 55, Stanley Street, first and second floors; and a milk shop licence for No. 8, Landate Street, ground floor, were refused. The licences granted by the Council between November 21 and December 4 inclusive were: food factories (2), food preserving establishments (2), food shops (1), bake house (1), milk shops (1), and eating houses (3).

PARLIAMENT'S
SECRET SESSION

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain announced that he would give one day for a secret sitting of the House to consider matters connected with the Ministry of Supply.

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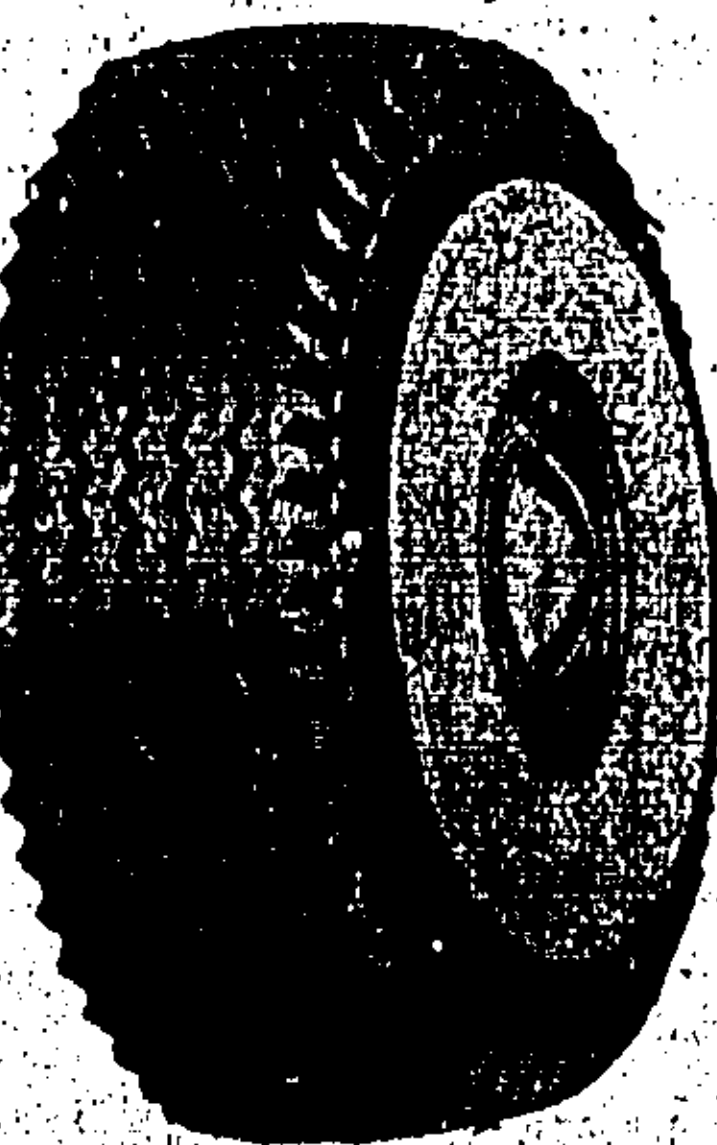
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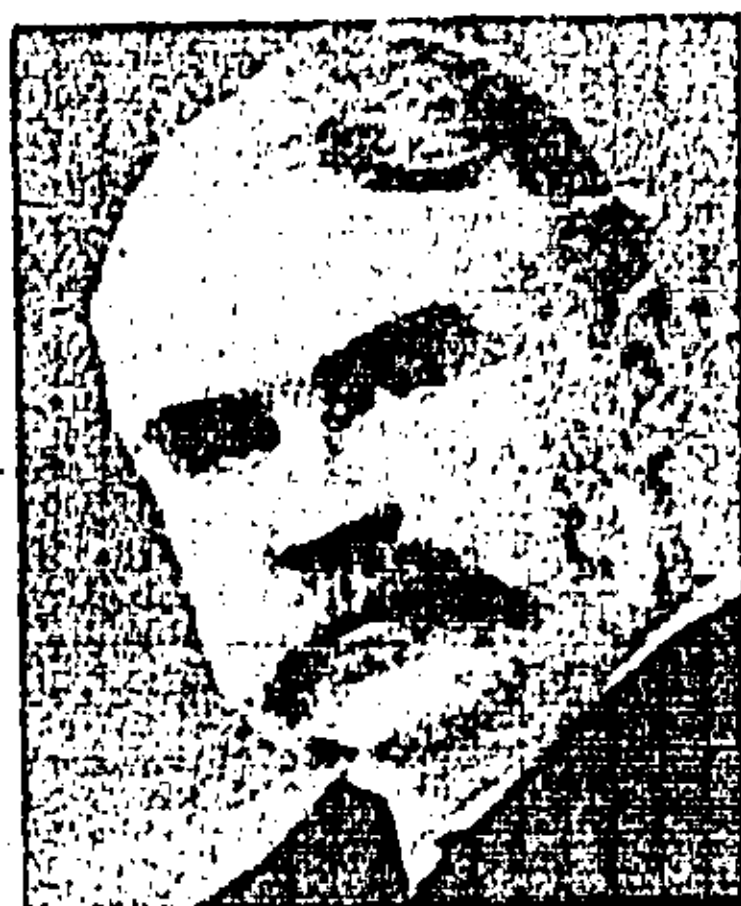


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ENTERTAINMENT PAGE

"THE MIKADO" RETURNING



GILBERT

Rathbone's Son Enlists for War

Grim reality of the European war struck home at the Basil Rathbone's when his son, Rodion Rathbone, 23, enlisted for service with the Royal Engineering Corps.

Rodion, born in London during the last war in which his father received the Military Cross for service with the British Expeditionary Force, thus becomes the first British subject in Hollywood to leave for France.

Rathbone's son is an engineer by training, having received a degree on graduation from Clifton College in England. After a brief period in a studio sound department, he recently followed his father into the acting profession.

Adopting the professional name of John Rodion, he made his debut in "Dawn Patrol." He recently finished a part in Universal's "Tower of London," in which his father is starred. In the latter film Rodion had a taste of English warfare of 500 years ago when the War of the Roses was recreated for the film.



Elsie Maxwell, the famous American party-giver, makes her cinema debut in "Hotel for Women," the Cosmopolitan production for 20th Century-Fox, which will commence screening here next week.

HONGKONG Gilbert and Sullivan fans who missed the mid-night preview of "The Mikado" this summer will be pleased to learn that the film will be re-screened at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres commencing on Saturday.

The complete cast and chorus of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, most famous of all Gilbert and Sullivan troupes, whose musical forebears first produced "The Mikado" on March 14, 1885, to start runs of 672 London and 250 New York performances, are featured in the film.

Kenny Baker, radio tenor, sings the leading role to the accompaniment of the London Symphony Orchestra.

No other musical comedy can boast an audience as large as that of "The Mikado." By October, 1935, there were 117 companies playing it in every corner of the United States. By 1938 it had passed its 1000th American performance. It played for 550 weeks on Broadway.

In filming "The Mikado" care was taken to present it in the best Gilbert and Sullivan tradition. All the songs and score are presented intact.

All the comedy "business" introduced into the action by Gilbert, wittiest man of his day, and handed down from year to year by the D'Oyly Cartes, are in the film.

For instance on opening night, 1885, George Grossmith in the comic role of Ko-Ko, accidentally fell at the conclusion of "The Flowers That Broom in the Spring" song. The audience howled. Gilbert ordered the tumble to be kept in the part. It has since figured in every "Mikado" performance.

Martyn Green, the funniest living Ko-Ko, does it in the present motion picture.

The costumes were designed by Marcel Vertes, world-famous painter. Geoffrey Toye, authority on Gilbert and Sullivan technique and long associated with the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, produced the picture and directed the music. Natalie Kalmus of the Technicolor Motion Picture Corporation was in charge of the colour photography.



SULLIVAN

THE CINEMAS

King's: "Girls on Probation."
Oriental: "Spy Ring."
Queen's: "The Saint in London."
Majestic: "The Warning."
Alhambra: "Conspiracy."
The Warning.

20th Century—Fox Visitor

MR. D. Goodman, 20th Century-Fox Far Eastern Supervisor, arrived in the Colony yesterday morning en route from Shanghai to Singapore.

Connected with 20th Century-Fox in the Far East for the past 17 years, Mr. Goodman only recently returned from a visit to America.

New Trend In British Film Production

A REPORT was recently circulating amongst British film people that their films, during the war, may be made by mobile units touring the country in vans—operating one month, say, in the North of Ireland, another in the Lake district—each unit entirely self-contained and comprehensive, travelling its own actors.

Such a plan, of course, is feasible. Odder things have happened and are happening daily. Films with a small cast and a quick schedule might conceivably be made in this way. What is more, cut free of the red tape of studio organisation, they might prove to be both virile and economic.

Conditions were very different during the last war. British studios then were generally the flimsiest affairs, often glass-roofed, like gigantic conservatories. Some of them were mere barns, hastily thrown together. The best had the solidity of the average village hall.

NO BETTER SHELTER. To-day, there are few better air raid shelters than British film studios. One or two studios, indeed, are regarded as so secure that they have been taken over for the storage of city records and Government documents.

The ground floor stage of one studio has been recognised as the official air raid shelter for a crowded area. There, at the sound of the siren, you may find the children from the local fish-and-chip shop rubbing shoulders with a £50 a turn comedian.

At another studio the voluntary fire brigade and ambulance unit has been accepted for years as the smartest and best-equipped outfit in the district. A third, which, so far, has received no official recognition from the local A.R.P. authorities, is equipped with underground shelters that could house more than 3,000 people comfortably in case of emergency. Planned by the studios for the benefit of its own employees, these shelters are open to any passer-by, and look like becoming the sanctuary for every household in the district.

VAST AIR DUCTS

The studio in question was fortunate in starting life with underground ducts for air-conditioning the stages that resemble, in a small way, the labyrinth of the Paris sewers. Equipment in the ducts themselves, and slight structural alterations in the exits and entrances, have turned them into almost ideal air raid shelters.

Wooden benches line the walls. There are barrels of water, paper drinking-cups, and a supply of food. In the central chamber, like a miniature Plectidly-circus Underground station, where the ducts join, there is a first-aid post with a nursing sister permanently in charge, shining steel cabinets of first-aid accessories, stretchers, and all sorts of surgical appliances.

Fully-trained Red Cross and St. John Ambulance helpers are stationed in every duct. There are fire-fighters and decontamination squads, men with picks, and men with long-handled shovels.

THE DRILL. At the first threat of a raid the enormous dynamite in the powerhouse are cut off. Every studio worker, already trained in A.R.P. drill, makes his way to his allotted duct. The fire-proof doors to the various film stages are promptly closed. A system of field telephones is manned at three key-points on the studio lot, so that emergency fire-fighting, demolition, or decontamination squads can be sent to any point at a moment's notice.

The A.R.P. organisation, which numbers something like sixty members, is entirely drawn from voluntary studio workers, who have given up their evenings during the last year to attending lectures and preparing for any such emergency.

The chief A.R.P. officer is the studio manager, the senior warden and his assistant are heads of the studio police department. Other officers and trained helpers include the studio's master carpenter, the chief floor electrical engineer, the head of the construction department, the restaurant manager, the company's secretary, the chief accountant, the make-up expert, the head gardener's wife, the still photographer's wife, and many of the clerical staff.

The studio itself has provided equipment, gas-proof and decontamination suits, steel helmets, and thousands of sandbags for vulnerable stations. Incidentally, one of the oddest camouflage of the war has been involuntarily provided by these sandbag shelters. When sand ran short the bags were filled with earth from the studio lots. After a few autumn nights of rain, these bags began to sprout. By next spring it is expected that grass-grown mounds will cover all the entrances to the studio shelters.

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HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE

ON THE HOME FOOD FRONT



IN A FEW WEEKS food rationing will be in force in England, but it is as well to know that the position on the Food Front is good and that advances in the production of home-grown produce are being made with ease and efficiency. A glimmering of the really extensive activities in this direction now being made up and down the country is seen in this page of pictures. Above are women who have come to the aid of a Lancashire farmer, gathering the crop of potatoes, described by the farmer as "wonderful."



TWO PICTURES (top and left) from a Hertfordshire farm which produces thousands of chicks and eggs, at the same time affording valuable training for many Land Girls, who will materially help to ensure an ample food supply. The little evanescence in the picture above will obviously become a poultry farmer.

SCHOOLBOYS CONSIDER, since being evacuated, that botany lessons are far more interesting when held in the country than when held in town classrooms. On the right are pupils of Cudworth Modern School, near Barnsley, at work in the new glass-house in the school's large kitchen garden.



THERE'S PLENTY OF FOOD—and plenty of ways of "dishing it up." Here members of the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service, who are taking over the important task of feeding the troops in training in this country, are seen finding out from an experienced Army cook just what the Tommies like and how they like it cooking. The sergeant, of course, will serve it up for the Tommies!

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SILVER SPECULATION

Over-Bullishness Causes
Difficulties in Bombay

London, Dec. 4.

The fixing of the price of silver was delayed for an hour to-day due to the critical speculative situation in Bombay where the local price was equivalent to 31d. per ounce.

The difficulties on the Bombay market were attributed to over-bullishness, speculators reportedly having bought some 25,000,000 ounces, hoping to re-sell to up-country hoarders. But the latter are strangely slow in buying at the present rate, and purchases have been made at the rate of only a few thousand ounces daily, hence the fears that the Bombay price will topple.

Paradoxically the "bears" are also worried. Dealers sold silver not in their possession, and are finding the utmost difficulty in securing the actual metal for delivery.

In the meantime both London and Bombay are endeavouring to check the Indian silver-boom without precipitating a collapse; hence the London price is being kept insulated from the Bombay price.—United Press.

LONDON MARKET PRICES

London, Dec. 4.
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A LAND ISLANDS PROTECTED

Helsinki, Dec. 5.
The Finns apparently expect the Soviet to attack the Åland Islands and are despatching considerable detachments of troops thither, according to a semi-official statement.
Finland decided to fortify the islands in accordance with the Geneva agreement, signed by several Powers but not by Russia.—Reuter.

Concern for Ålands

Helsinki, Dec. 5.
Immediate concern is felt for the Åland Islands, which are the key to the Gulf of Bothnia and Finn territory, but long demilitarised by international agreement, and which Finland applied to the signatories for permission to fortify.
If an enemy occupied the islands, he could close the Gulf, bomb the coastal towns and isolate Finland from the outside world.Intermittent snowfall and iron-grey clouds are rolling low in southern Finland, slowing activity on all fronts.
It is feared Red planes will use the clouds as a screen for dive bombing on Helsinki and other coastal towns, but apparently the aviators consider the weather over-meninging.—United Press.

Helsinki Awaits Worst

Helsinki, Dec. 5.
Men, women and children in a tense and fearful mood watched today the scudding iron-grey storm-clouds over Helsinki and listened for the drone of planes, believing in the spreading rumour that Russia might momentarily launch a poison gas attack, despite the assertions that the Russians are authorised to only attack military objectives.

The British consular authorities have reacted to the rumours by ordering all the Britons to leave immediately. Thus, under 70,000 people will remain in the capital, which normally has 300,000.

Heavy fighting is reported north of Lake Ladoga, where it is confirmedly reported that many Russians were drowned in trying to pass over thin ice. There were several hundred casualties and 1,500 Russians were captured.

Reports are trickling back from the outposts in Karelia that the Russians have not yet reached the Mannerheim lines. Fighting is under way in no man's land.—United Press.

Helsinki "Carries On"

Helsinki, Dec. 5.
There is still a semblance of normality here, with trams and buses running.

The Legations are all outside the town, following the advice of the Government.

The latest news from Petsamo says that the Russian manoeuvre to turn the Finnish position has failed.—Reuter.

Finnish Submarine Sunk

Moscow, Dec. 5.
The newspaper Pravda reports that a Finnish submarine has been sunk off Hoptland.—United Press.

Petsamo Reported Burned

Stockholm, Dec. 5.
The Finns are reported to have organised two strong defence lines in the north, outside Petsamo, and at Salmjarvi, where they expected a decisive action.

Petsamo is reported to have been burned by the Finns.

North of Salmjarvi the Finns surrounded 200 Russians, whose presence could only be explained by the fact that they were dropped by parachute. The newspapers state that many refugees have died of cold. Five thousand have crossed the frontier at Haparanda.

Sweden has already subscribed 1,000,000 kroner to equip a corps of volunteers for Finland, and a similar amount for the Finnish Red Cross.—Reuter.

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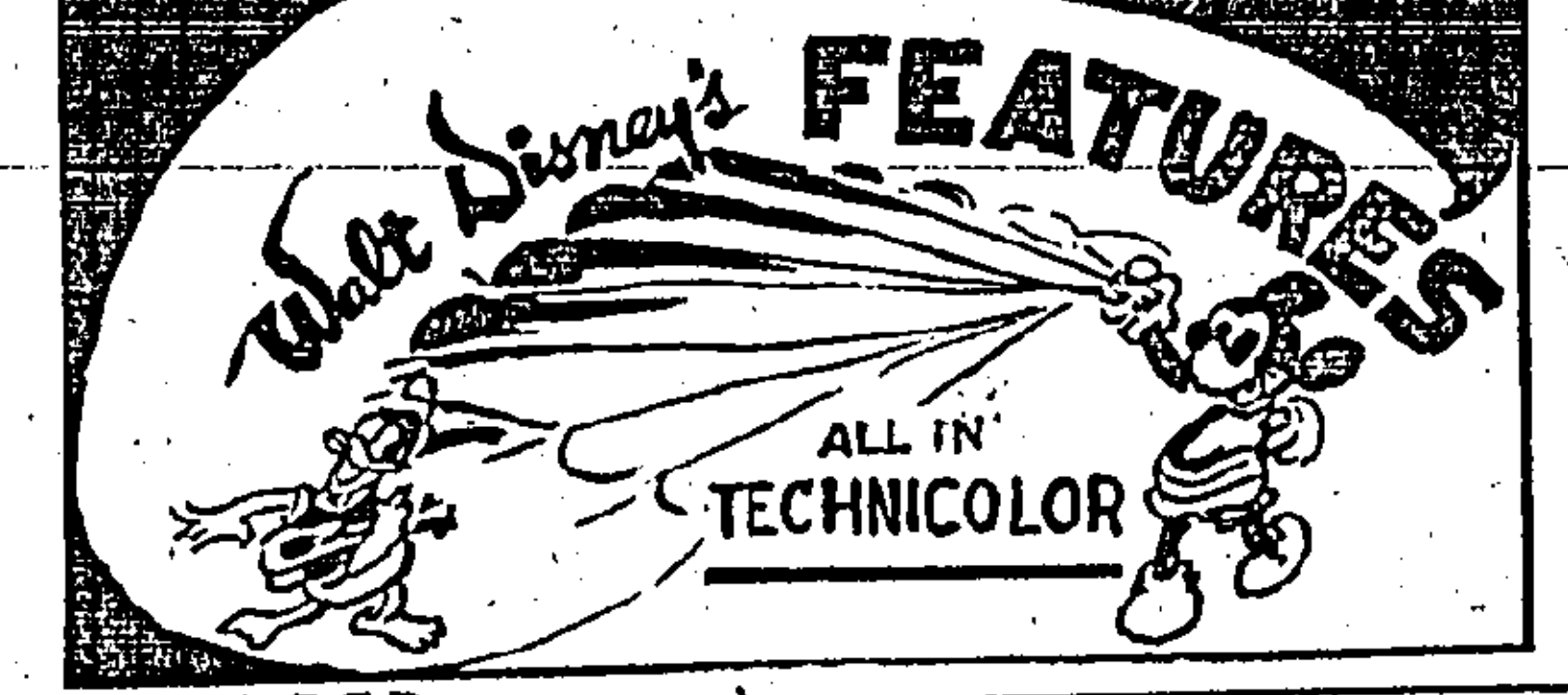
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NORWAY CALLS PEACE PARLEY AS STOCKHOLM MOBILISES

Red Army Concentrating For Major Drive in Finland

Finnish Resistance Surprises "All-Conquering" Soviet Forces

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SVANIK, DEC. 6 (UP).—THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE RED ARMY IS CONCENTRATING FOR A BIG-SCALE SOVIET MILITARY FORCES ARE CO-ORDINATING FOR A DRIVE TO THE NORTH.

Two Red planes have been carrying out reconnoitering operations, in conjunction with a Red warship, in the Bay of Petsamo.

Soviet troops were forced to land in the outer Petsamo Fjord due to Finnish artillery in the port.

The Finns have precautionarily destroyed the Petsamo docks.

Finland's Appeal To The League

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Replying to a question regarding Finland's appeal to the League of Nations, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said that the action of the Finnish Government was taken on their own initiative.

The Council has been summoned for Saturday and the Assembly is expected to meet on Monday. Great Britain will be represented by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who will make a statement on behalf of the British Government.

DENUNCIATION OF RED INVASION LED BY AMERICA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (UP).—Officials of the State Department revealed to-day that the United States is prepared to join in a hemispherical denunciation of the Soviet invasion of Finland if all other American Republics desire to take such a step.

This coincided with rising political tension on the issue of President Roosevelt's recognition of Russia.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg has nailed a "Break Relations with Moscow" plank to the Republican platform.

State Department officials say that the American attitude had been communicated to other American Republics as a result of suggestions from several Latin American countries seeking such a statement.

A general Republican movement is apparently developing for the recall of Ambassador Steinhardt or even a rupture of relations with Russia. Observers believe that the Republican Party considers the New Deal recognition of the Soviets as the weakest link in the New Deal foreign policy.

Senator Vandenberg's statement holds President Roosevelt personally responsible for the recognition of the Soviets and asks for a normal Presidential inquiry to determine whether the "pledges in the Roosevelt-Litvinoff correspondence have been reduced to a travesty."

Roosevelt's Gesture

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has asked Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, to place the Finnish Debt payment due on December 15 in the suspense account.

Announcing this at a press conference, the President added that when Congress re-assembled he would suggest that the money be returned to Finland for the benefit of the Finnish people, and that it might be possible to make available to Finland some of the money.

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AWAITING ZERO HOUR

Helsingfors Prepares For
Mass Air Raids

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—While Helsingfors and other towns had a third day's uneasy respite, Finnish troops in the extreme north were feverishly digging themselves in amid the charred and smoking ruins of Petsamo and Salmijarvi.

Although no Soviet bombers appeared to-day, everyone has listened and watched for the first sign of the expected mass air-raid.

Anniversary Fears

Now considerable fears are expressed for to-morrow, which is the 21st anniversary of Finland's independence.

Many Finns fear that Moscow spared them to-day in order that the threatened destruction should coincide with this anniversary, but conditions to-morrow are likely to be unfavourable to any air activity.

In the neighbourhood of Petsamo and Salmijarvi, the Finns are preparing to offer energetic resistance to the Soviet attack which is expected in the near future.

Soviet Advance Admitted

Fighting in this district is already heavy, and it is admitted that the Russians have gained a certain advance.

The Russians are pouring in troops by sea and rail, but up to now reinforcements have not been strong enough to make a really successful advance.

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ALLIES PEACE TERMS

PLAINLY STATED BY HALIFAX

No Vengeance To
Be Sought

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The essential principles of a satisfactory and lasting peace were defined by Viscount Halifax, replying to a debate in the House of Lords on War Aims.

Summing up the declarations already made by the Government, the Opposition and on behalf of the Dominions and France, Lord Halifax said that we desired the people who had been deprived of their independence to recover their liberties, to redeem the peoples of Europe from constant fear of German aggression, and to safeguard our own freedom and security.

No Spirit Of Vengeance

"We don't seek rearmament or to redraw the map of Europe in our own interest. Still less are we moved by the spirit of vengeance," said Lord Halifax.

"On the contrary, if Germany is able to restore the confidence that she has destroyed, we aim at a settlement which will encourage her to take her rightful place in Europe, and we wish to create an international order in which all peoples will be secure under the reign of law and can determine their political and economic life free from the interference of their more powerful neighbours."

"To this end, we will be willing to give our best in co-operation with other nations, including Germany, to work a reconstruction, political and economic. For only so can we believe that an ordered international life can be preserved."

When Britain Will Lay Down Arms

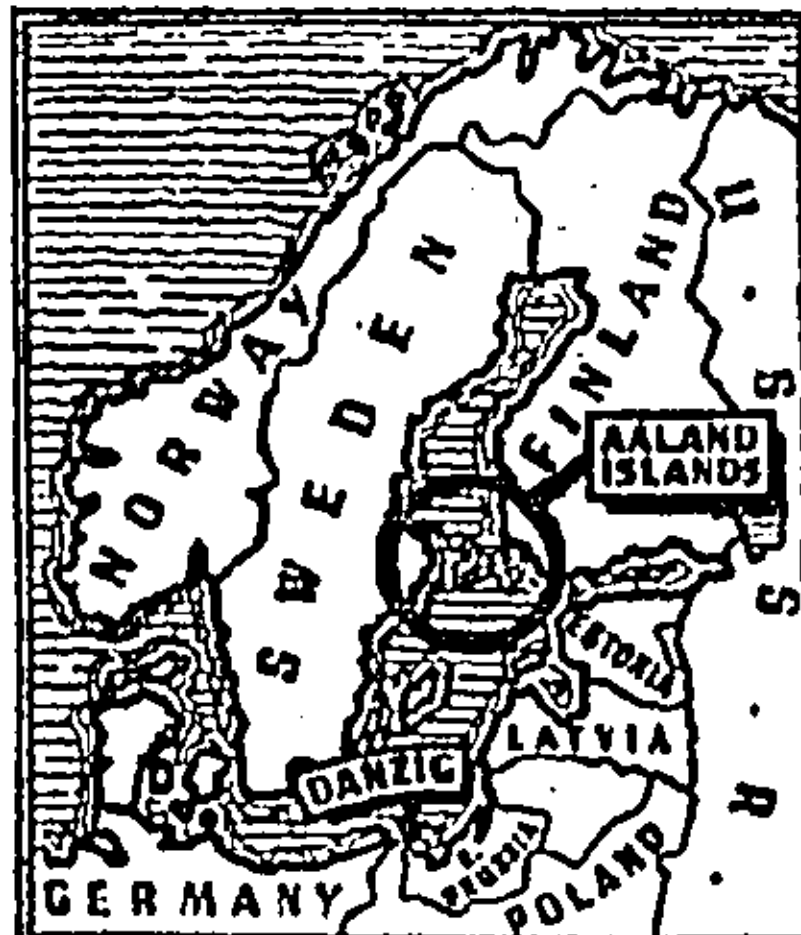
Dealing with the terms on which Britain will lay down arms, Lord Halifax said that the answer was given by M. Daladier a few days ago when he said that France—he might have added United Kingdom—would lay down arms when she could trust a government whose signature could be trusted.

Referring to the suggestions of an Armistice and a conference, Lord Halifax said it was of little use deluding ourselves with wishful thinking about the results to be achieved by a conference and the primary aim was to secure peace by the sword.

On any other basis, a conference would achieve nothing, and would be only likely to enable the leaders of Germany to make their people believe that on the whole the method of force had not worked too badly.

The importance of showing that aggression had failed would not be achieved and the world consequently would be left in the same precarious and intolerable suspense.

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AALAND IS. OCCUPIED BY FINNS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (Domei).—Finnish troops last night occupied the strategic Aaland Islands, at the entrance to the Gulf of Bothnia midway between Finland and Sweden.

The Aaland Islands were demilitarised under agreement with the League of Nations in 1921. They are jointly administered in action by enemy surface Sweden.

In announcing the occupation, the Finnish authorities state—that the measure has been dictated by the Soviet invasion, and is purely an emergency one.

Some time ago, Finland and Sweden approached the League of Nations with a request for permission to fortify the islands. The matter was held in abeyance when Soviet Russia vigorously protested.

Finns RAID RED AIR BASE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (UP).—Uniformed reports from the Finnish frontier claim that Finnish planes raided a Red Air Force aerodrome near Murmansk yesterday.

Small incendiary bombs were used by the Finnish airmen, who claim to have destroyed 60 grounded Soviet planes.

Finns Surprise Raid

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Finnish planes carried out a surprise air raid to-day on the Soviet base at Murmansk, where they report having destroyed 60 Soviet planes by means of small incendiary bombs.

Soviet Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SVANIK, Dec. 6 (UP).—Soviet planes have been active along the entire Arctic Coast as far west as the Finnish-Norwegian border.

Two nickel mining centres are reported to have been bombed. Minor damage was inflicted.

Three Soviet planes carried out an attack on Salmijarvi, where they caused slight damage before being driven off by A. A. fire.

One raider was crippled, and crashed twenty miles from the town. Clear weather during the afternoon led Finland to expect heavier air attacks.

Lesson Not Yet Learnt

There was no evidence that Germany had learned the lesson.

The two prerequisites for a conference were, firstly, there should be evidence that the German Government was willing to accept terms corresponding with the purposes for which we took up arms, and, secondly, there should be a security that any settlement reached be respected.

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FINLAND TO REMOVE CAPITAL TO VAASA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 4 (Domei).—The Finnish Government has started removal to its new capital at Vaasa on the coast of the Gulf of Bothnia.

Ordinary citizens have already been ordered to evacuate the doomed capital.

SMALL U.S. WHEAT CROP

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHICAGO, Dec. 5 (UP).—Private crop experts predicted that the average 1940 winter wheat crop would be 389,000,000 bushels, which is the smallest crop since 1933 and with that exception, the smallest crop since 1917.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OSLO, Dec. 6 (Domei).—Norway has issued invitations to Holland and Sweden to a conference at Oslo in an effort to find a formula for a peaceful settlement of the Russo-Finnish dispute.

The conference will open on Thursday. It will probably be attended by the Foreign Ministers of the three Oslo Group states.

SWEDEN MOBILISES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (UP).—The partial mobilisation of Sweden's reserve forces has been carried out quietly and methodically.

In contradiction to previous mobilisations, no church bells were tolled. The only notification to reservists was through small advertisements in the newspapers.

The reservists summoned to the Colours include fortification personnel and artillery units.

It has been learned that the mobilisation not only strengthens Sweden's defences along the Finnish frontier, but will also result in heavy concentrations in the south, overlooking the east coast and the Kattegat. This indicates that Sweden is also taking precautions at the entrance to the Baltic Sea which, with Holland and Norway, she controls.

Plans have been completed for the evacuation of civilians from Stockholm, the capital, if necessary.

All army leave will be suspended.

Fears that hostilities will extend have intensified throughout the Scandinavian countries.

Scandinavians Volunteer

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (Domei).—Thirteen hundred Swedes have already volunteered for service with the Finnish defence forces.

Most of the volunteers are understood to have already left Sweden for the scene of hostilities.

Norwegians, Too

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERGEN, Dec. 5 (UP).—Several hundreds continue to volunteer daily in Norway to fight for Finland.

A report from Oslo quotes a well-known Norwegian business man as saying: "Finland ought to get the Nobel peace prize for its brave and energetic fight for liberty."

King Gustav's Donation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 5 (UP).—The "Exchange Telegraph" reports from Stockholm that King Gustav has made a gift of 10,000 kronor to the Swedish Red Cross for use in Finland.

Other members of the Swedish Royal Family have also made substantial contributions.

Rejects Sweden's Good Offices

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—On the ground that it does not recognize the Helsingfors Government, the Soviet Government in effect has declined to agree to Sweden taking charge of Finnish interests in the Soviet Union.

U.S. CITIZENS
CAN JOIN UP

OTTAWA, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—It was announced to-day that United States citizens can now volunteer for service in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

They must take an oath to the Crown on joining.

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Further Late News

NAZIS COUNTER MOVE:
NEW BASE IN BALTIC

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Domei).—The Russian drive down the Baltic is having repercussions in Germany.

The German Government announced to-day that a German naval base is under construction at Gdynia, the former Polish port.

NUFFIELD'S GENEROSITY

£1,250,000 Central
Hospital Fund

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Lord Nuffield has given a million Morris Motor shares, worth nearly £1,250,000, to create a Central Hospital Fund for the provinces.

Lord Nuffield has expressed the hope that from this fund and the King's Fund in London there will ultimately emerge a truly national Hospital Fund.

Commons Hears Of Gift

Lord Nuffield's latest munificence was announced in the House of Commons by the Minister of Health, Mr. Walter Elliott, during the debate on social services.

He said that in a letter Lord Nuffield expressed the hope that voluntary hospitals would carry on their magnificent work, but pointed out the changes in conditions which made a central fund for the provinces essential.

"It is my hope," says Lord Nuffield, "that a truly national hospital service may be evolved."

Mr. Elliott, replying in the debate, said that the Government was devoting £50,000,000 more this year to social services than in 1931, and this at a time when Hitler was increasing the hours of labour of the working class in Germany, and Goering was telling German workers that they would have to lighten their belts and "would be all the better for it."

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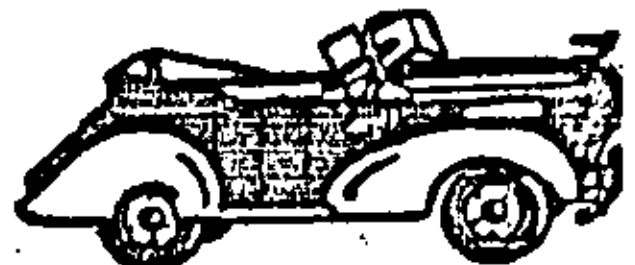
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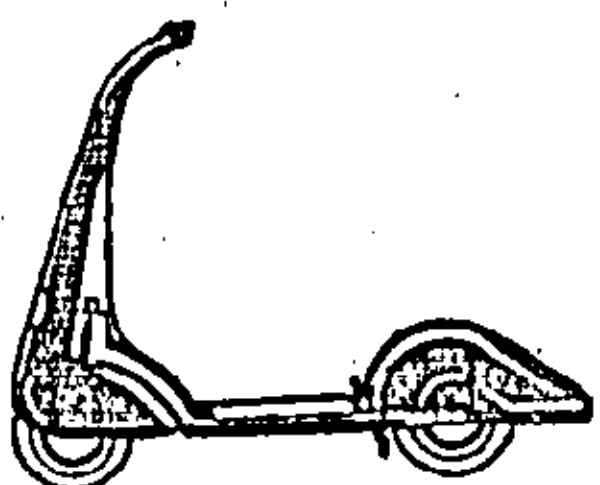


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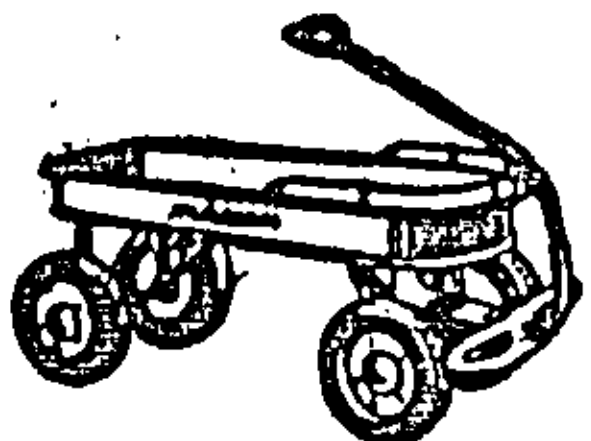
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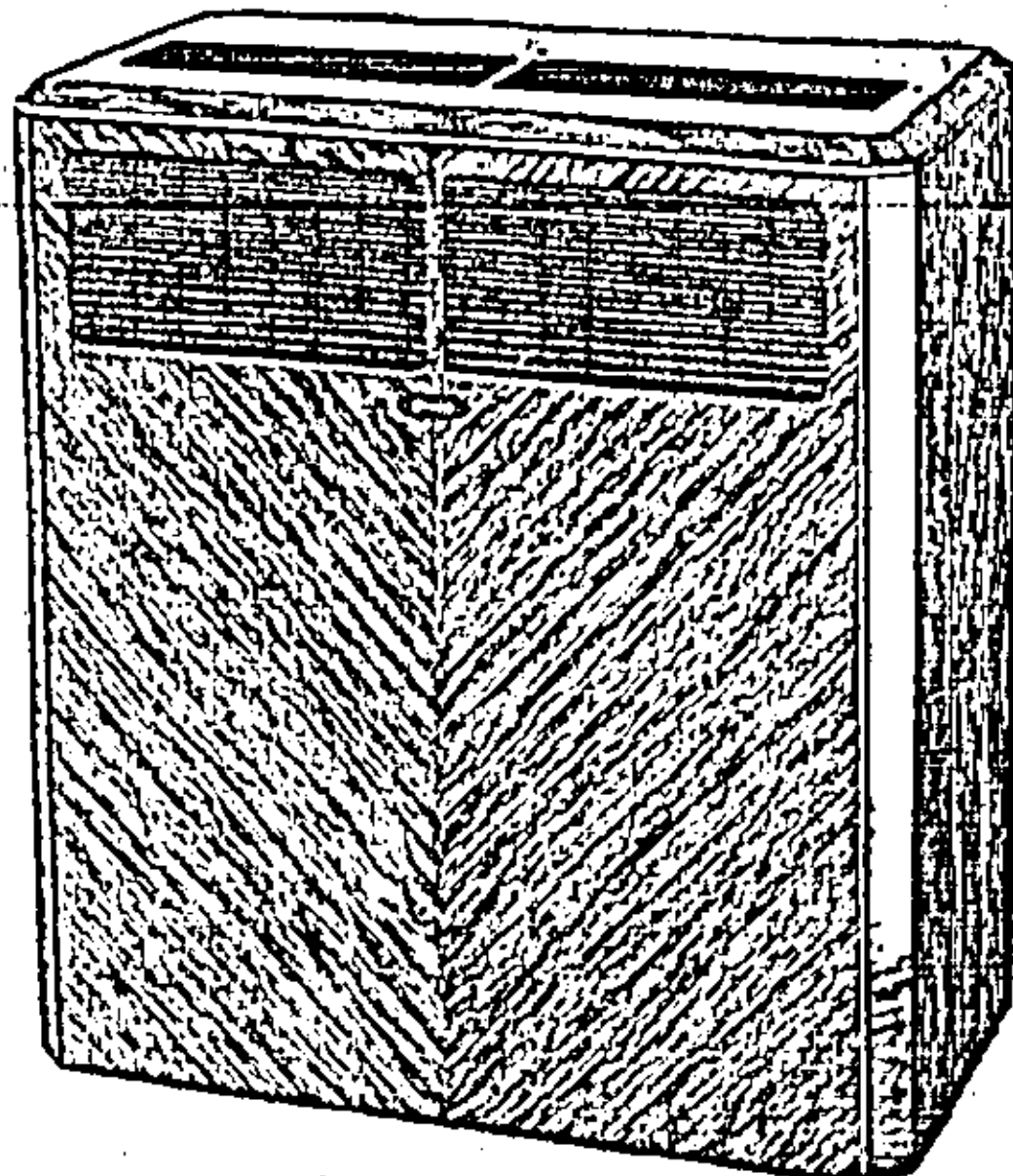
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50 YEARS AGO

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At the audit of accounts the other day, on the turning over of the seals of the Viceroyalty of the Liang Kuang by Chang Chih-tung to Li Han-chang, the sum of nine million taels in bank cash was credibly informed, was handed over to the new Viceroy by the Treasurer of Chang Chih-tung.

25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1914.
In Belgium the enemy has assumed the defensive and his cannonading has slackened. We progressed at several points and are firmly holding others already acquired.

In the Soisson district intermittent cannonading prevailed. In Argonne several attacks were repulsed. In Woerthe the enemy bombarded Apremont forest.

A Yellow Book completes the Allies' documents and denies German publications, giving a strong and indisputable impression that the actual crisis in the consequence of the tenacious policy of Germany in seeking war with resolution, beginning from ten years ago.

It is officially announced from Petrograd that stubborn fighting continues in the direction of Lodz. The Germans endeavoured to advance in the region of Szeczerow, but were repulsed with great losses.

After ten days' fighting the Russians have captured the Austrian positions defending the passes of the Carpathians, thirty miles from Konechno, north of Bartfeld, through Zhydowskie and Zhdannawa to Houko and south of Mezo-Laborez, capturing quick-firing and other guns.

10 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1929.
Sandy Herd, the veteran British professional golfer, playing at Moor Park, Hickmanaworth, today, hole out at the eighteen in one stroke. The hole is 140 yards long.

This is the eighteenth occasion in his long career, on which Herd has performed the hole-in-one feat and his record in this respect is quite unparalleled. An American golfer has promised Herd a solid gold putter when he does his twelfth hole in one.

A day ahead of schedule, the Asama Maru, the first of the new ultra-modern motor passenger ships built for the N.Y.K.'s Orient-California service arrived in port this morning and berthed at the Kowloon Wharves. She was, during the day, the object of general admiration. The two sister-ships, the Chichibu Maru and the Tatsuta Maru, will be seen here in the spring of next year. The three liners are truthfully described as the largest and most magnificent motor ships ever built in Japan.

5 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1934.
Following the British statement of policy in the House of Commons debate on Imperial Defences, and the broad hint that Germany should give the Powers some reassuring word, there have been rapid developments of disarmament and peace problems in Europe. The new factors in the situation appear to be of a more hopeful character.

One of the most decisive and hard-fought battles ever waged between the Government forces and the Reds, since the commencement of the anti-Red campaign on the Hunan border, is reported to have taken place in the vicinity of Chuenchow, within Kwangsi territory, over the week-end. The utter defeat of the Reds in this battle was quickly followed by their general withdrawal from the Kwangsi border districts. According to General Liu Chien-sui, Commander of Hunanese Forces in pursuit of the Reds, nearly 10,000 casualties were inflicted on the enemy during the engagement. Five battalions of the Red survivors are being surrounded by the joint Kwangsi-Hunan forces at a point to the south of Chuenchow.

LEAFLET RAIDS ARE NOT MERE PROPAGANDA

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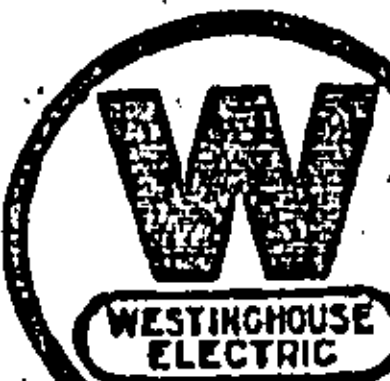
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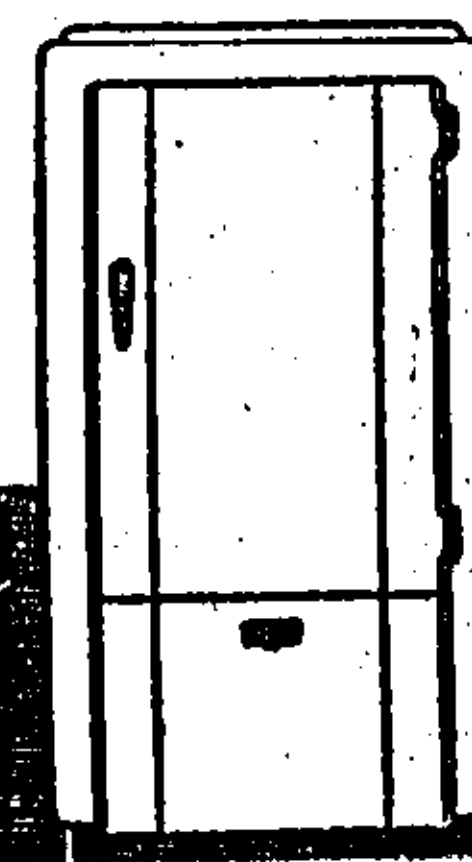


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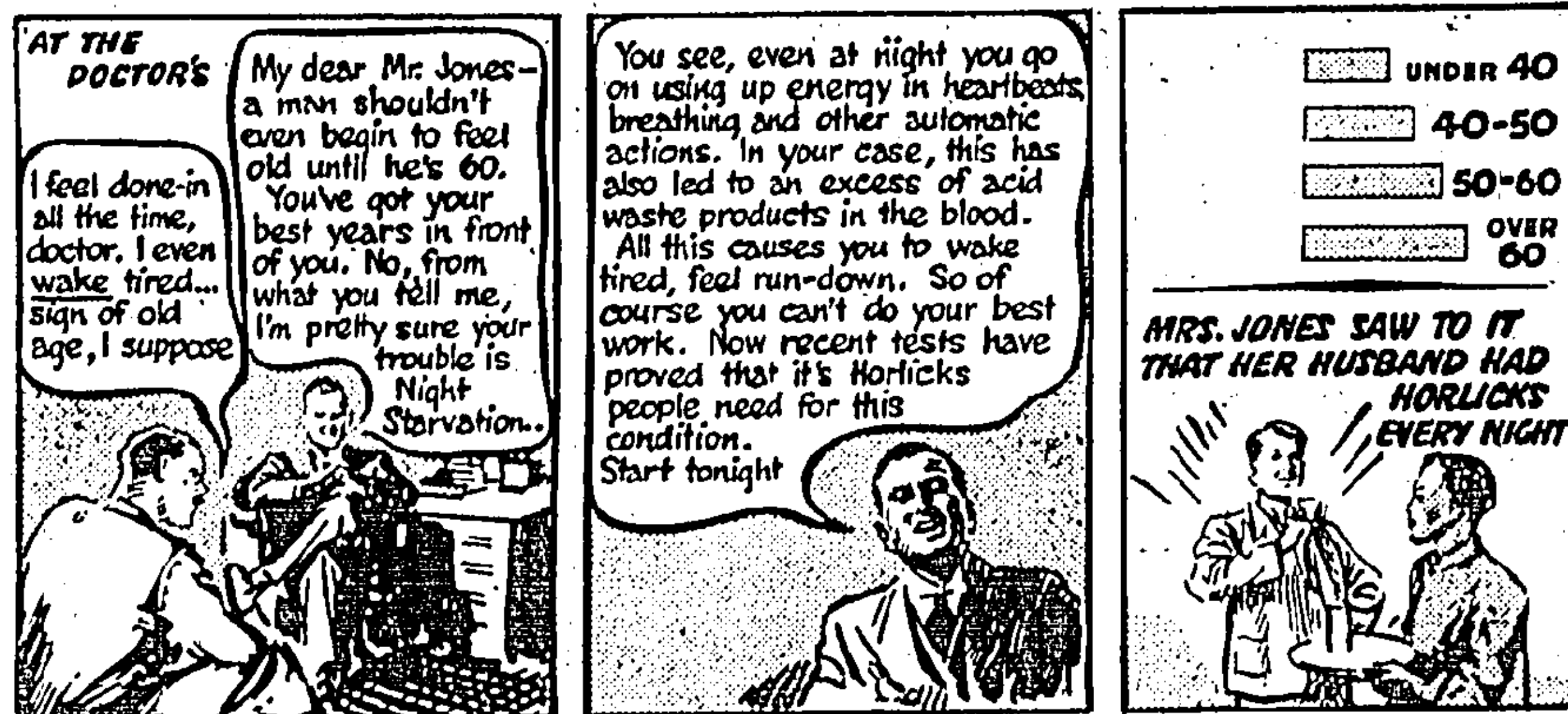
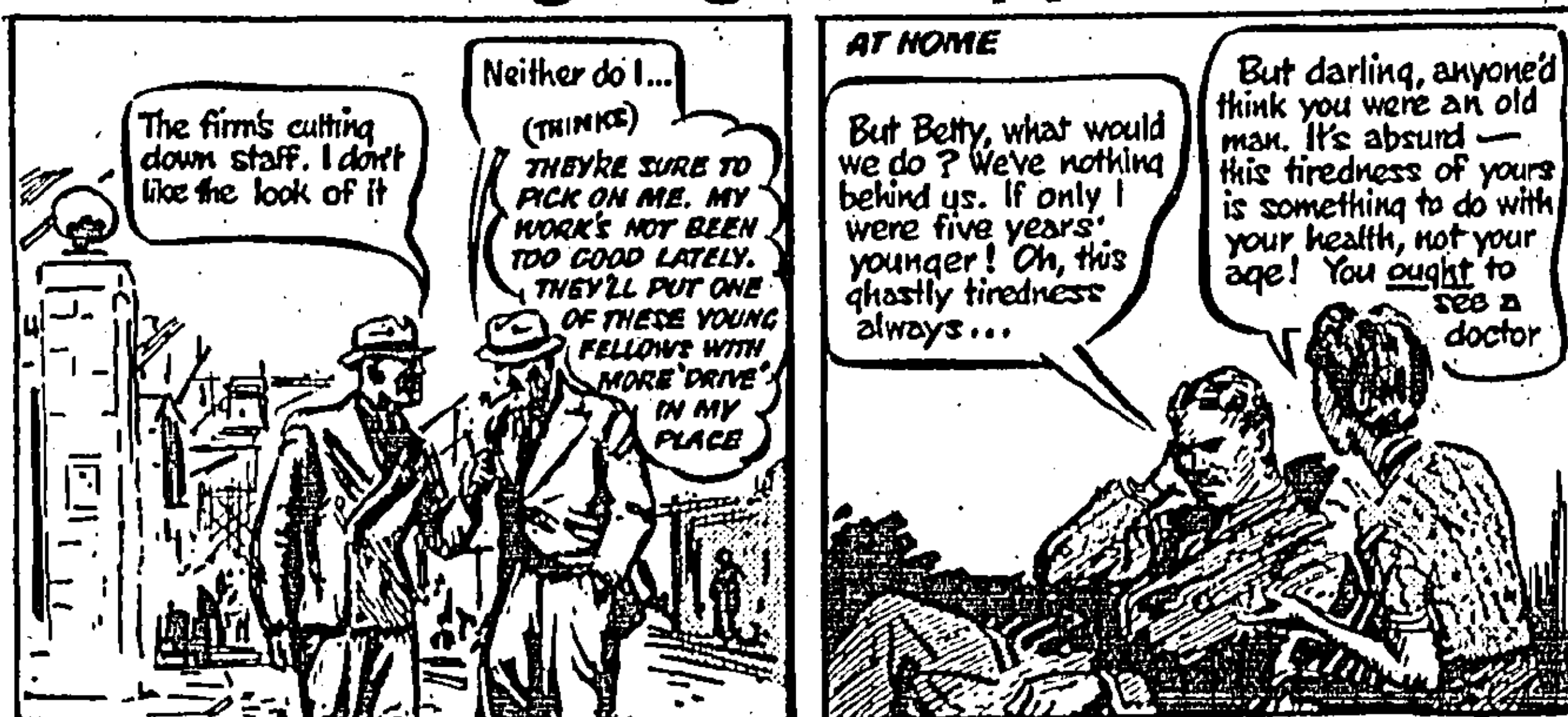
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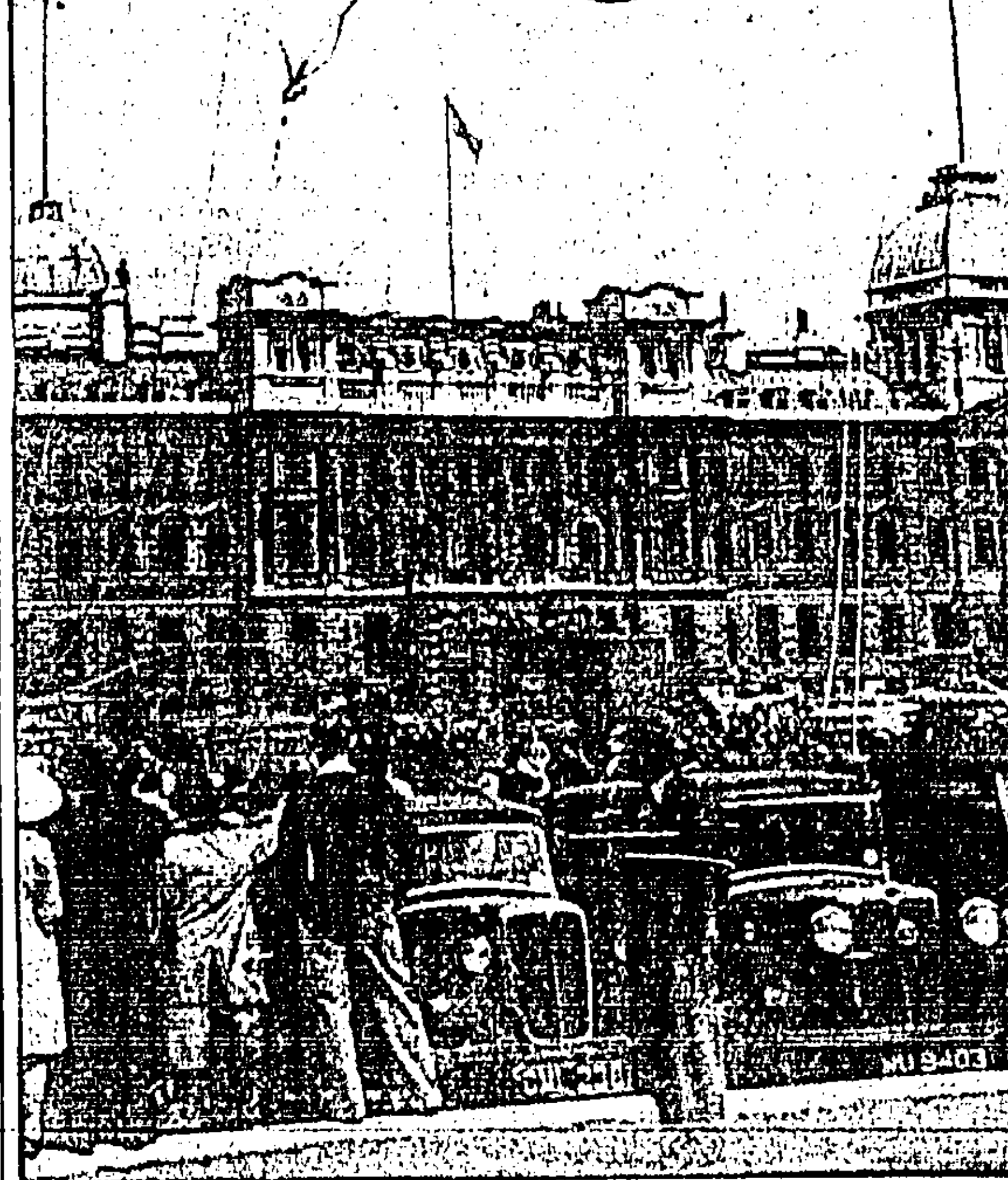
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Leaflet Raids Are Not Mere Propaganda

LONDON.—The British public is now realising that there is more to leaflet-bombing raids than just leaflets.

The continued—one might almost say continual—flights over Germany which have carried the wings of Britain over Berlin and the Ruhr and more than 20,000,000 leaflets into the streets and fields of these and other districts, fulfil an important purpose besides disseminating the British point of view.

Described officially as "reconnaissance flights" these raids perform the important function of full-scale practices of night and day flying over enemy territory for bomber pilots. From the first it was realised that the leaflets themselves could perform a dual purpose. Their propaganda value is not dependent on the written word, for their very presence is calculated to show the German man-in-the-street that British bombers have passed overhead. If the man-in-the-street puts two and two together he must realise that British bombers are learning to find their way about his country in the darkness of night. The secondary message of the leaflets thus becomes, "Don't start anything you couldn't finish."

So far the bombers of the German air arm—Field Marshal Hermann Goering claims to have 4,000 of them—have not been in action on a big scale. For their part the French and British have confined their action to reconnaissance work.

GIVES BOMBERS PRACTICE
But the effect of this reconnaissance has been to give the long-range bombers practice, so that if Germany attempted air attacks on a vast scale on military or non-military objectives far behind the allied lines it could expect reprisals from an air force which, unlike its own, already knows the lay of the land.

On night raids in modern conditions an air force that has "been

there before" has a very considerable advantage. With the countryside and the towns blacked-out, it is no easy matter for an airman to find any precise objective unless it lies directly beside a sheet of water which shows it up. Furthermore raids have to be conducted without the help of radio.

Navigation has to be by dead-reckoning and celestial observation. The navigator has to calculate probable drift caused by wind and a small error in such a calculation can make a big difference when planes are travelling at more than 300 miles per hour. Consequently the pilots who have done the trip before and who can pick out what landmarks there are have the advantage.

For these reasons Britain's leaflet raids are assuming an importance which is no longer minimised here.

THE GERMAN VIEWPOINT

There remains another question which the public of both countries, would probably like answered. That is, How do the British manage to fly about as much as 400 miles inside Germany without suffering heavy casualties, and in some cases, without being challenged at all?

Field Marshal Goering's answer is that "if they like to fly at tremendous heights at night and drop their ridiculous leaflets we have no objections."

PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

Don't let unpleasant laxatives cause tears and tantrums.



Use this Child's Laxative—PLEASANT, MILD IN ACTION

When your youngster is out-of-sorts—obviously in need of a thorough intestinal cleansing—and still "fights" taking a laxative, don't set it down as stubbornness. Maybe you are guilty—of thoughtlessness. For when a child objects to such medicine, there's often good cause. The taste may be offensive, or the action harsh and unpleasant. So is it ever fair, or even kind, to force such remedies on your youngster, thus taxing an upset condition still further?

Fortunately, there's no need to resort to such measures. You can get a real child's laxative—"California Syrup of Figs"—"Califig"—then, too, it's an equally pleasant both in taste and

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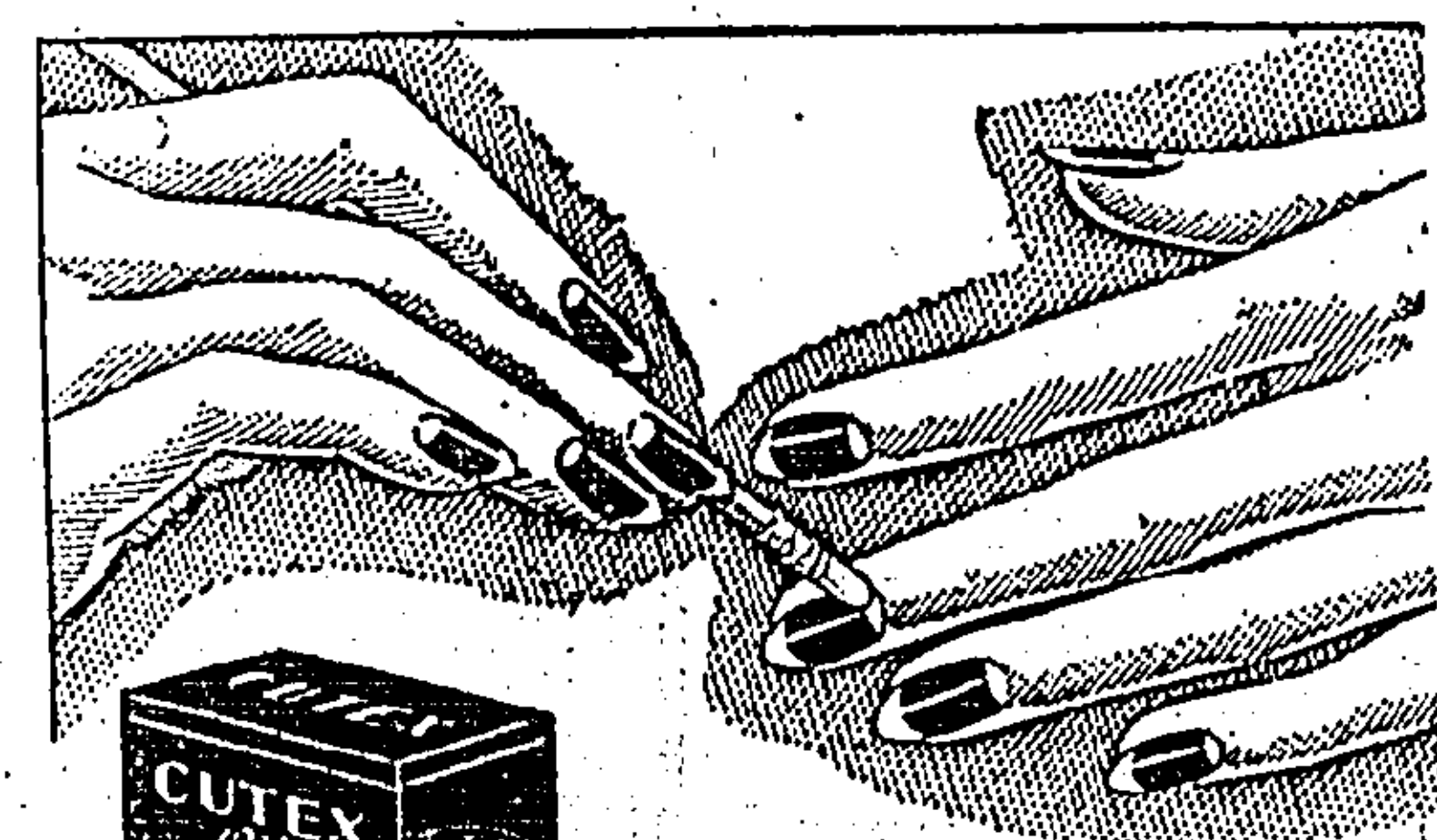
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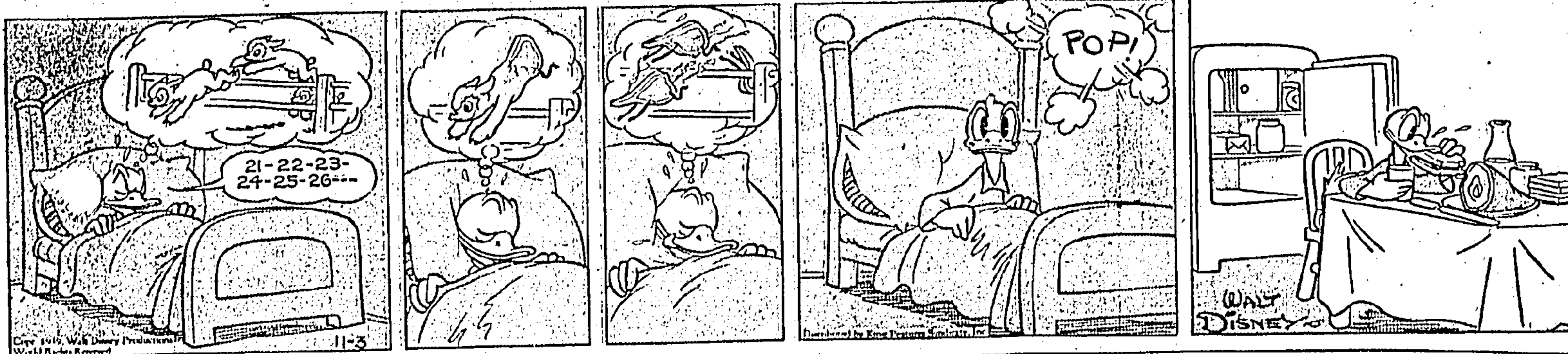
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JAPANESE LEPERS Mrs. M. H. Cornwall-Leigh Receives Honour

Tokyo, Dec. 5.
Mrs. M. H. Cornwall-Leigh, the 83-year-old British owner of Barnard Hospital, at Kusatsu, Guma Prefecture, has been decorated with the Sixth Order of the Sacred Treasure in recognition of her humanitarian work in social relief, especially in the care and treatment of lepers.

Mrs. Cornwall-Leigh came to Japan in 1908 to engage in missionary work among lepers and remained at Ina Hospital, Tokyo, until 1930. In the following year she established her present hospital as well as a primary school, at her own expense.—Domei.

"Pocket Battleships" Hard Nut To Crack HUNT FOR RAIDERS NEEDS BIG SHIPS

SUBTLE BRITISH PROPAGANDA Prisoners' Names Broadcast

NEW YORK.—The British are trying out a new plan to have their propaganda take hold in Germany—seeking to have the Germans tune in on a radio broadcast of news items favourable to the Allies by sandwiching in the names of German prisoners of war.

The Columbia Broadcasting System, describing the new persuasive method, said the German language is spoken throughout the daily broadcast from 10:15 to 10:45 p.m., Berlin time.

The radiocasts originate in the studios of the British Broadcasting Corporation. Twenty names are read daily. Ten names are repeated from the list of the day before and 10 new ones are added.

Columbia said the programme was named toward Germany from powerful short-wave transmitters in Denmark. The actual reading of the names takes only about half a minute; the rest of the time is given over to the reading of the news items.

Columbia gave this as a sample of the broadcast:

"The Anglo-French-Turkish pact means a diplomatic defeat for Germany. Germany tried very hard to hamper the negotiations among the three friendly powers. Herr von Ribbentrop played an active role in Germany's attempts to wreck the agreement in advance. He persuaded the Soviet Union to insist that Turkey close the Dardanelles.

Then, after some further talk, the announcer went on:

"Two German U-boat officers will be buried with high military honours at Edinburgh. They are U-Boatmen Seldel and Schleicher. Fifty officers and sailors will attend the services, priests will officiate, and wreaths will be laid by officers and troops who participated in yesterday's battle."

This was followed by the reading of anti-Nazi comments from newspapers in neutral countries.

Meanwhile, Berlin Radio short-wave broadcasts featured unqualified statements that "England already has lost the hunger-blockade war."

The radiocast, according to Columbia, said England "is a country without peasants," that although 80 per cent of its soil is arable, only 5 per cent is under cultivation.

SPOTLIGHT ON GERMANY TELEPHONE CENSORSHIP

Recent delays and difficulties in the way of telephoning to Germany from Holland are now known to have arisen from the fact that a list has been drawn up of those within Germany who are allowed telephone communication with foreign countries.

Up to the present there had been no difficulties placed in the way of German telephoning calls from abroad. Now the privilege is limited to persons whose business or profession makes this necessary.

On the other hand, the German military telephone censorship now demands the fullest details of all persons making calls to Germany from foreign countries. Calls put in from Copenhagen to neutral newspaper correspondents in Berlin were met with the questions from the German exchange:

"Which of the numbers given is private and which is the office number? What kind of office is it? What is the newspaper that the correspondent represents and what is its nationality?"

War Area Extension Possible

The Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam "Telegraaf" states that an extension of the war area to southern Europe must be reckoned as possible.

He does not, however, expect that there will be any developments in that direction until the negotiations between Finland and Russia have been terminated.

Industrialists' Alarmed

The trend taken by German policy is reported to be becoming more and more alarming for German industrialists and the middle classes on the one hand and the working classes on the other.

A Zurich message quotes as a reliable source statements made by a traveller who has just returned to Zurich from Germany. He said that he had been able to see for himself how puzzled the people were, especially with regard to the Russian question.

Ignoring Italy

A special trade supplement to the "Frankfurter Zeitung" dealing with the prospects of German trade with south-east Europe with special appeal to Turkey makes no reference to Italy.

The Brenner railway to Munich and Milan is not even marked on the map accompanying the supplement though Italy is shown.

"Main Kampf" takes A Rest

A woman journalist who has arrived at Zurich from Germany stated that since the German-Soviet pact was signed German public libraries have received instructions not to hand out Hitler's book, "Mein Kampf," and if asked for it are to say it is already out.

Clothing By Coupons

All articles of clothing are to be rationed, and cards containing 150 coupons, valid for one year, are being issued.

A baby's jacket uses up 25 coupons, and a woman's coat between 40 and 50 coupons according to quality. Even ties must be obtained with coupons.

Employment Of War Maimed

Herr Oberlander, director of the Nazi organization for the wounded, announced over the radio that every factory and business in Germany would be expected to employ war-maimed men up to 1 to 2 per cent of their staffs.

Special Offices Have Been Opened

to advise and help war widows.

Dutch For Soldiers

Special classes in Dutch have been set up in some of the main towns of Germany for German soldiers.

The following accounts of sea warfare and ship movements in the present European war are compiled from Associated Press dispatches.

Britain faced the problem today of retaining its important North Sea blockade in the face of the strategic demand for more warships to combat fast and powerful German surface raiders reported ranging the Atlantic.

The certainty that at least two German surface raiders had slipped through the North Sea blockade is now evident.

British naval circles contend that the combined navies of the world would not be sufficient to establish an airtight blockade of the Baltic. Officials said that on dark or stormy nights ships could pass within 100 yards of each other without being detected.

Reports of the German raiders caused a stir in London, overshadowing all other war news in the British press. On known speed records, only three British warships—the Battle Cruisers Repulse, Renown and Hood—are fast enough to overtake the German raiders. These three have been on North Sea duty.

The Deutschland, armed with six 11-inch, eight 5.9-inch and six 4.1-inch guns, has a speed of 26 knots—two knots faster than the general line of British capital ships. The Hood, Repulse and Renown, however, have 15-inch guns and a speed of over 30 knots.

The British Admiralty said it had "no present confirmation" that the Deutschland had evaded the blockade, but previously it admitted the possibility the Admiral Scheer was roving the Atlantic. The Admiral Scheer, the Deutschland and the Admiral Graf Spee are Germany's "pocket battleships."

In Brussels, Belgians returning from the Congo on the Steamer Elizabethville reported having seen five German ships in refuge at the Belgian Congo port of Boma, where they were said to have fled from the French submarine Surcouf.

The authoritative manual, Jane's Fighting Ships, says the 4,300-ton Surcouf is the largest submarine in the world. Completed in 1934, she is 361 feet long.

LOSS OF NANNING

Tokyo, Dec. 5.
Reports from Nanning say that the Chungking Government has lost about 30 per cent of its foreign trade in the fall of Nanning. The route linking French Indo-China and China's interior via Nanning disposed of about 10,000 tons of goods from abroad monthly.

As the result of the interception of the French Indo-China route, the Chungking Government is suffering from a shortage of gasoline and hundreds of motor-trucks are stranded along the so-called Red route linking Soviet Russia and North-west China.

Another blow is that the shipment of wood oil to America which furnished the security for the \$25,000,000 American loan to China has been interrupted. The construction of a railway between Indo-China and Kweilin, the Kwangsi capital, has been interrupted by the fall of Nanning.—Domei

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6—Thick stew
7—Metric unit
8—The (German)
9—Approaches
10—Wing of building
11—Infernal Gaid
12—Regret
13—Player for foot
14—Roman emperor
15—Always "cool"
16—Fish eggs
17—Attach
18—Alter stars
19—Oriental plant
20—Latin interest
21—Weep
22—Assam blowworm
23—Gilla (leech)
24—Hebrew master
25—Raw metal
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27—Attach
28—Unchanging
29—After stars
30—Canadian province
31—Pur neckpiece
32—Period of time
33—Hob (island)
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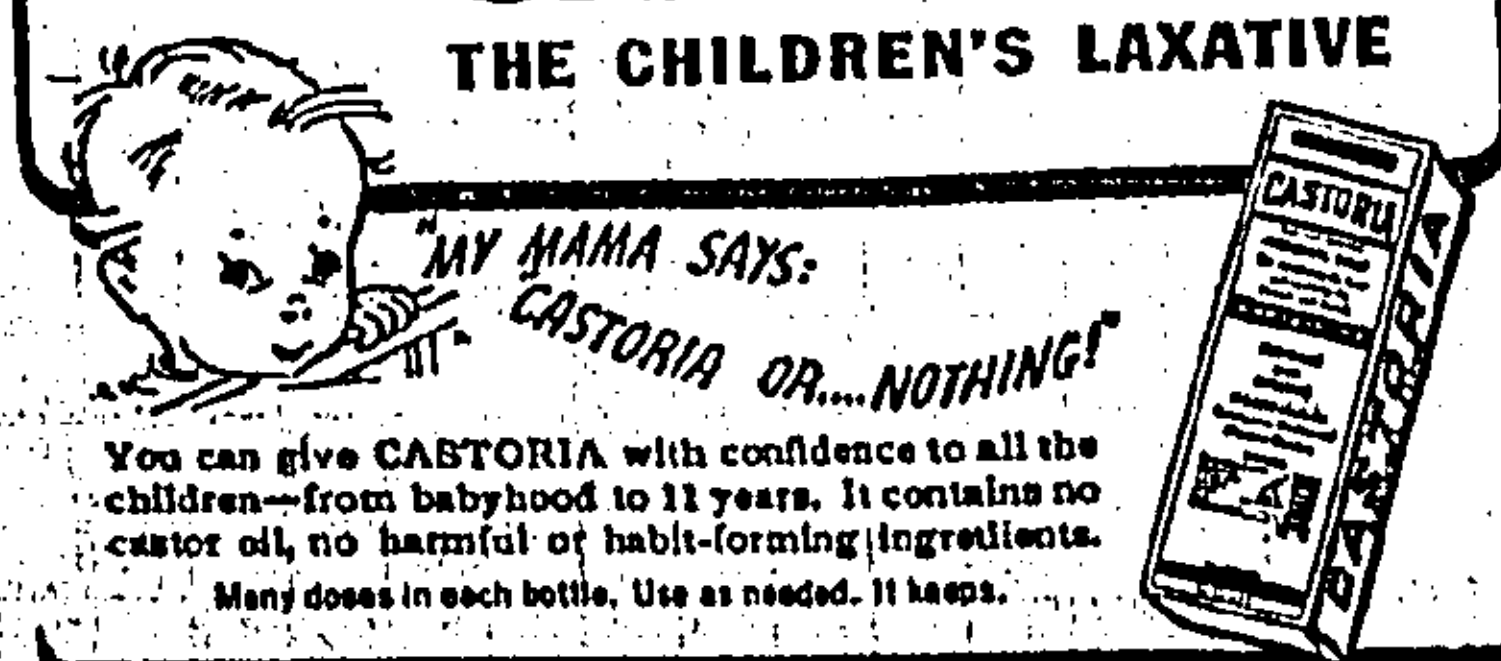


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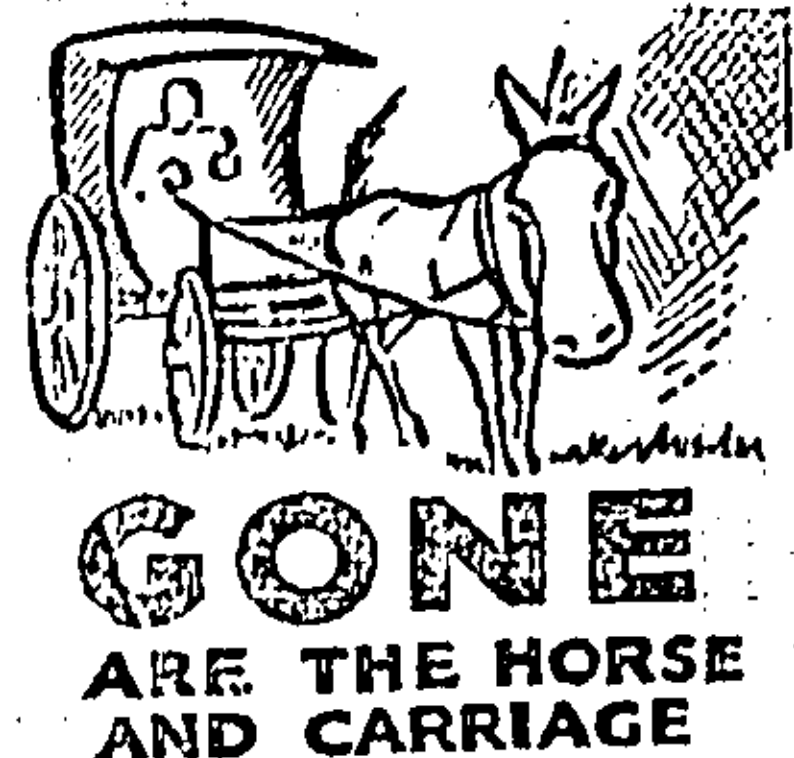
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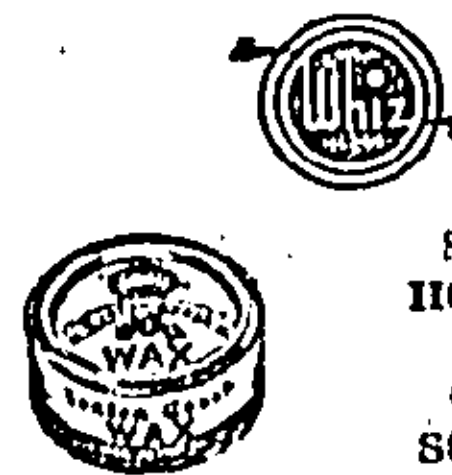
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FERGUSON.—At 15, Melkewood Avenue, Prestwick, Ayrshire, on November 24, 1939, John FERGUSON, beloved husband of Elizabeth Anderson, late of Greenock and Quarry Bay, Hongkong.

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Democracy At War

NO country, however democratic, can enter upon a great war without suffering a loss of freedom. When Britain took up the challenge of Reichsführer Hitler, Parliament and people did so with the full knowledge that war meant discipline and control, and submission to orders. Since the strength of a nation at war is not merely that of its armed forces, but depends upon the sum-total of the efforts of all the people in every sphere of life, it follows that the whole nation must submit itself to authority.

This is acutely felt in time of war. All men of a certain age are liable to military conscription. All industrialists, shipowners or railway owners must be prepared to put their factories, ships, or railways, at the disposal of the State. A man's house may be commandeered or have troops or civilians billeted in it. Shops are controlled, food may be rationed, light is restricted. At any time a Government department may issue an order imposing like-some restrictions upon the conduct of private citizens.

Such regimentation the people of Britain were prepared for. It was the price to be paid for the waging of war. All they ask is that the orders shall be wisely made, and that they should really be conducive to efficiency in running the vast machine of a nation at war. Armies of officials are necessarily formed, and they have great powers, but while the wise use of these powers makes for victory, the unwise use is a hindrance.

Government acts, of course, through various departments. One is concerned with the training of men for the army; another with the provision of skilled men for the war factories; another with the provision of food; another with taxation; another with the release and censoring of news. It may often happen that what appears helpful to one department will be an impediment to another. All the delicate balances which develop under the natural ebb and flow of freedom are likely to be thrown out when an entirely different organization is artificially formed. There is needed calculated co-ordination not only in each department of State, but between the departments; and this indicates a skilled thinking organ.

But some of the considerations which make an intrusive "brain trust" objectionable in peace time are arguments on the other side in war time. In view of the muddle that follows lack of direction, the distinguished English economist, Sir William Beveridge, is urging the necessity not only of a control board for every important industry, but a central body of men trained in co-ordinating all departments.



How good is Germany's war material?

THE German army goes to war with equipment that has a number of weak points. In general, the material from which its weapons and machines is made is poor. The designs are usually excellent, but many have one considerable defect: they have been developed too quickly, and have not had enough serious testing before large-scale production was begun.

The material is poor mainly because it includes so many substitutes. The steel has too large a proportion of cheap scrap iron in it, and too large a proportion of low-grade "home-grown" iron ore.

The synthetic rubber, called "Buna," rubber, may be of service for some jobs, but does not stand up to war conditions. In particular it is not good enough for the tracks of tanks and tractors.

The Germans, in their civilian life, have a great love for extreme tidiness and regularity. Their roads are very smooth, on their aerodromes each grass-blade seems to be combed to stand to attention in exact line with the next grass-blade. And all their industry producing for home sales, for years, has been geared to produce fragile, lightweight goods that work quite nicely if treated with care.

Their industries producing for export have specialised in cheap things that do not last.

We have a great advantage over them there. Sometimes go-ahead people are inclined to laugh at the

British habit of making things to last "forever." In a world of changing fashions and many inventions, it is not always economical to make things that will be out of date before they are worn out in normal civilian use.

But this is of great value in war. War consists of a continual series of crashes. Our vehicles, aeroplanes, etc., are not crash-proof, but they will stand much heavier bashing about than those of the Germans. Our machines and gadgets are not fool-proof, but they do not have to handle them as if they were made of tissue-paper.

When the artificial rubber pads on the tracks of a German tank bear or wear out, the steel is not good enough to stand the extra hammering of hard work on the road.

That is why the German mechanised divisions made such a poor show when advancing unopposed on Vienna in the spring of last year. A number of witnesses, including Americans, British and Austrians, have testified that several roads were blocked by broken-down vehicles.

One eyewitness wrote in the *Nation* (Belge):

"There, in brilliant weather without snow or rain, stood broken-down German lorries, tanks and artillery tractors, in long lines on the Austrian roads, in pitiful immobility. One division lost no fewer than 45 heavy tractors out of 400."

The German tanks that saw action in the Spanish war appeared to "fade out" after a few

days of fighting, because of the number of breakdowns.

They also seemed to competent observers to be too lightly armed. Perhaps because of experience gained in Spain a new tank or about 25 tons has been developed in Germany, mounting a field-gun of about 3 inches and a smaller gun of 37mm., besides machine-guns.

This machine was first shown when a parade was held in Berlin to impress Prince Paul of Yugoslavia in June of this year. From the photographs one would judge that the Germans have now gone to the other extreme and put into this medium-weight tank a heavier armament than can be used efficiently from such a gun-platform.

The German heavy artillery is mainly of new design, and little can be said of it until it has proved or disproved itself in action.

At another recent Berlin parade there was much comment on a new type of heavy gun, said to have a range of 20 miles, which was towed past the saluting base by tractors. It appeared to be 45 feet long and of 10 inch calibre.

This gun is towed in five sections: the gun-carriage, the cradle, the recoil and recuperator-gear, various bits and pieces, and last the gun-barrel itself.

The idea of splitting it up into these five components is to make it mobile. Heavy guns of this sort are usually moved with considerable difficulty and very slowly.

But what will happen if one of the tractors breaks down? What will be the use of this contraption if four parts get to the position but

the fifth is stuck somewhere miles behind?

One thing you soon learn, the ordinary business of war, is to keep things together in one place as much as possible. Odd detachable gadgets get lost.

Another question is whether these guns, which roll along merrily on good German roads, may not get badly bogged in Polish mud. In Ludendorff's memoirs there is a complaint that the German transport vehicles of 1915 were too heavy for the Polish front; he had to extemporise transport, using the local light peasant carts, which the Germans called "Panje" carts.

Yet the German transport of 1915 mainly consisted of solid four-wheeled wooden carts—much lighter than the motor vehicles they are now relying on for a considerable part of their road work. What will the dirt roads in the winterfields be like, when rain comes and tractor columns have ploughed them up?

When these questions were asked of German officers in the past they answered that they would win their war in a few weeks, during the dry season. They talked of a lightning war, *Blitzkrieg*.

The trouble with lightning is that you never know whom or where it will hit. It is not the sort of stuff sane men rely on. The Germans may find it burns their fingers, and more than their fingers, if they have rolled on this "lightning" when designing their heavy artillery and the transport for it.

Their field artillery is still mainly horse-drawn. So is about 30 per cent of their first-line infantry transport.

The reason for this is doubtless their shortage of motor vehicles, and probable shortage of petrol in war.

Sam Just Won't Leave The Army

A PROBLEM of patriotism, a problem in peace and war, is the British Army's oldest drummer, Acting-Sergeant Sam Thompson, of Framlingham, Suffolk.

He REFUSES to leave the Army. "We don't want to lose you, Sam, but we think you ought to go. You've already passed the age limit," they said.

Quartermaster-Sergeant Thompson, as he was then, looked up the regulations. Then he joined up again as a drummer.

"Now I can serve for another five years," he announced. And the authorities discovered that he could.

Now Drummer (Acting-Sergeant) Sam Thompson, aged fifty-four, pride of the 4th Suffolks, and holder of seven campaigner's medals, he volunteered for active service "for the duration."

"I said I was 'out there' last time, and I'm still as fit as a fiddle," Sam told the *Sunday Pictorial* yesterday. "Just let them try to leave me behind—that's all."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



Having Europe's best railway system, the Germans have neglected industrial road transport, compared with other nations, until quite recently.

They have not got the immense reserves of light and medium weight lorries possessed by England and France, or the factories to make them.

But the retention of horse-drawn transport and guns will tell heavily against their army. Horses and mules do not mix well. Horses move so slowly that lorries caught behind them have to run in low gear. Overheating and other troubles follow.

And horse transport is an excellent target for air attack. Horses cannot lie down when harassed. They panic. If a lorry is hit, you tip it off the road and other lorries do not get scared and bolt. But horses do, and there is no more heart-breaking than a few gun-teams well mixed and kicking with a horse or two dead and a limber in the ditch.

There is too much "credit" too many ingenious ways of "making do," about the German army's war gear. When the attack comes, that will tell.

BRIGHT ARRAY OF GOLFERS

To Take Part In Manila Open Tourney

Manila, Nov. 22 (UP).—The strongest array of foreign golfers ever to invade Manila will participate in the 28th annual \$5,000 Philippine Open tournament which starts here January 5, 1940.

H. J. Belden, president of the Wack Wack Golf and Country Club, has announced that several stars from the United States, Australia and Japan have accepted invitations to participate.

Among the Americans who have signified their intention to seek golfing fame and money half-way around the world from home are "Jug" MacSpaden, holder of the 1939 Canadian Open crown, and the Zimmermann brothers, Al and Mery, of Portland, Oregon.

Heading a delegation of Australians will be Norman von Nida, who will attempt to win his third Philippine Open title in as many years. With him will be Eric Cremen, a veteran Anzac professional, Jim Ferrier, holder of the Australian Open title the past two years, and Sam Richardson, former Australian Open champion.

At least 12 Japanese professionals and amateurs are expected to participate. In the last tournament the Japanese monopolised practically all the places from second to the tenth. Scene of the Philippines' Number One golfing event is the Wack Wack.

"BIRDIE" IN CAMP

"Birdie" being in camp, his weekly article on golf will not appear to-day. He will resume next week.

Golf and Country Club in Manila's suburbs. It is considered one of the finest golf plants in the Far East. A statement by no less an authority than Gene Sarazen attests to the claim that the layout is an A-1 test to a golfer's skill. Said "Dodo" Gene after an exhibition round last year: "If anybody ever breaks par on this thing, please write and let me know."

DATES BACK TO 1913

Although the Philippine Open dates back to 1913, it was not until last year that it took on an international aspect. The 1938 event marked the first time sufficient foreign stars were offered to attract foreign stars. But then only golfers in the Far East participated.

Last January, John Montague, the "mystery" golfer and a Hollywood favourite, crossed the ocean expressly for the tourney and was thus the first American to invade the local open. With at least three Americans assured for the 1940 event, there is promise that the tournament committee's dream of making Manila the nucleus of a Far Eastern circuit may be realised.

Under present plan, Open tournaments would be held in Japan, Siam, Australia, India, the Straits Settlements and Manila during the fall months—off-season in the States—and would offer an annual junket to the Orient.

SPORT ADVTS

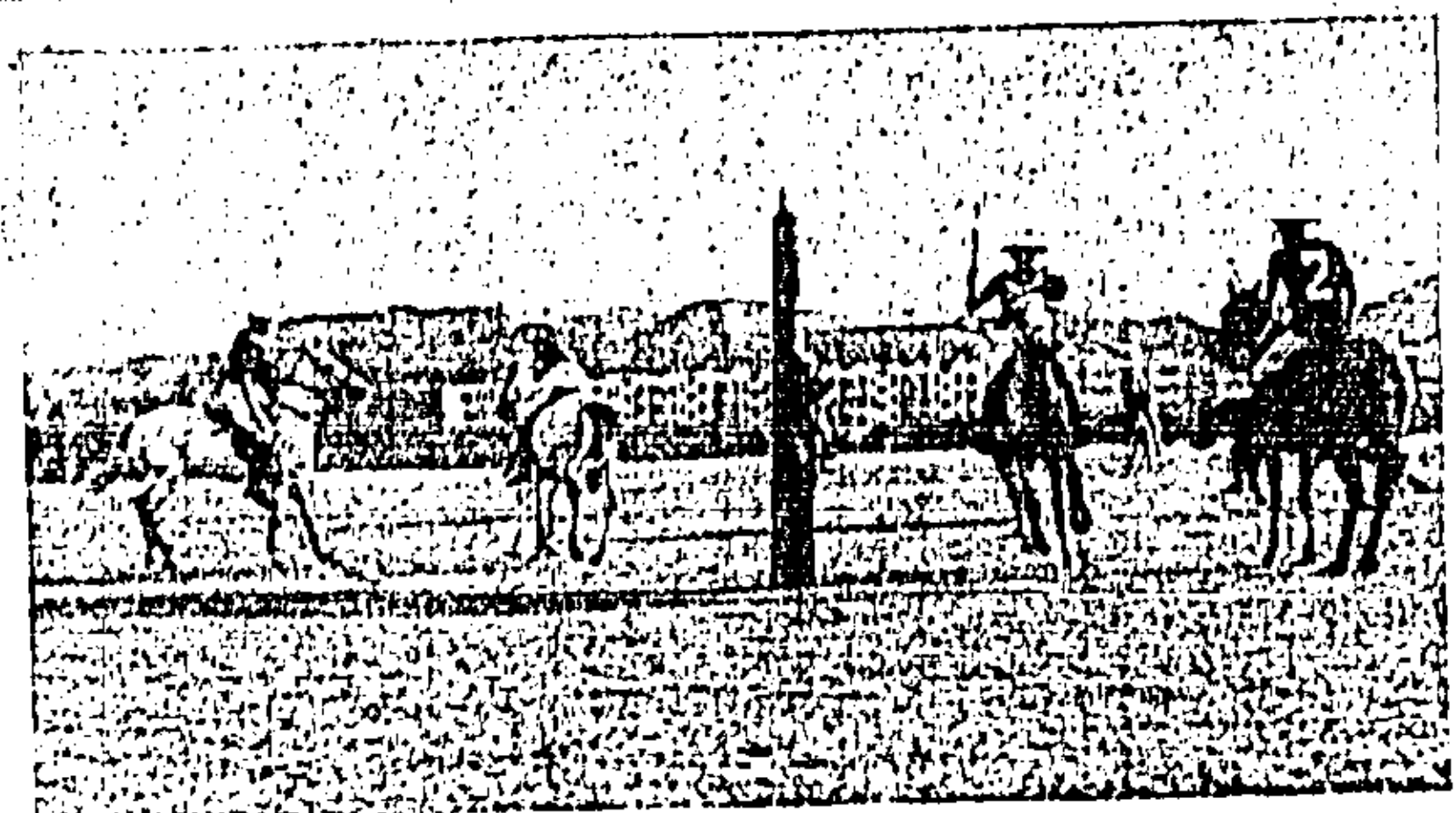
THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 16th December, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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An exciting moment during the Final of the Subalterns' Cup Polo Competition between the Royal Scots and the Fixed Defences on Monday. The former team won by six goals to three.—Mae Cheung.

Tracing The Origin Of Plus-Fours In Golf

TALK among the elders in the clubhouse swung from arms and the man to clothes and the golfer. Somebody wondered, writes Leo Munro in the *Daily Express*, what effect the war would have on golfing attire.

There was, he said, a precedent if one thought back to the 1914-18 campaigns, which, in his opinion, must be held responsible for producing those baggy nether garments known as "plus fours."

HE claimed that the guards, as uniformed in that stormy period, were the parents of plus fours—that their long trousers and short puttees gave enterprising tailors the idea for long, loose knickerbockers draped over smart stockings.

He may have been right in thinking of one style and cut. But generous lines, akin to plus fours, were in fashion years and years before Waterloo 1914.

Well, maybe not in fashion. Still, people wore them when the twentieth century was very young.

1906 'VARSITY MATCH

THE camera cannot lie. I have refreshed my memory by looking up some photographs of the 1906 Varsity match at Hoyalake.

And there, in the Oxford group, is Lord Maldstone, a wearer of plus fours. One or two of his team-mates are shown in the knee-tight knickerbockers of that era.

Lord Maldstone is unquestionably plus-foured by comparison in his check-patterned, voluminous cut attire. And I have a snapshot, which confirms the plus-four idea, of Lord Maldstone following through.

I suggest then, a much earlier beginning than 1918-19 for the "baggy breeches," which had gone out of fashion before the present year. The next return of happy days may bring a contrast—shorts for all, perhaps. I shall be surprised if there is ever a revival of formal "uniform" for golf.

GRANDFATHER'S ATTIRE

PLAYERS never really liked it. Our grandfathers, who played in wear red coats as danger signals for the general public.

A younger generation of golfers jibbed at such "fancy dress." And, anyhow, it wasn't necessary as private courses grew in numbers, and if one player bagged another with an ill-directed shot the victim was merely a fellow-member of the club.

Knickerbockers, tight and baggy, had their ins and outs of fashion. Snobbishness played its part in these. All the would-be smart amateurs affected tight-kneed knickerbockers when England first felt the golf boom, away back in the naughty 'nineties.

AN AMATEUR PRIVILEGE

AN amateur privilege, mark you. Professionals in those days were expected to look like trousered working men, and, in general, not to dress very well.

But professionals gradually upset convention as their status improved. The two famous brothers, Harry and Tom Vardon, were leaders in a smart-attire movement.

One effect was knicker suits for professionals, and a decline in that fashion among amateurs, though the most distinguished of them made no change.

Human nature did not alter a lot with the passing of the years. Professionals again followed the lead of the amateurs when the fancy was for plus-fours.

I don't know if it "just happened" after that, but many of the (in one sense) plus-four amateurs are now untidy-looking in sloppy trousers. So, for that matter, are many of the professionals. Which suggests that one war, at any rate, may have been settled.

Von Cramm In German Army

Baron Gottfried von Cramm, the German tennis star, is the latest of a long list of leading sportsmen who have joined the Army. Cramm, who has been living in Sweden since his release from prison last year, has returned to Germany and joined up, according to a report reaching Copenhagen.

STARTING TIMES FOR SERVICES MEET

The United Services Golf Meeting will be held to-morrow at Fanling, by kind permission of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

The Tai Po Belle will run specially from Kowloon Railway Station, leaving at 9.27 a.m., and arriving at Sheung Shui at 9 a.m., and returning at 5.41 p.m.

In connection with this meeting, a special prize will be given for the best net score returned over 36 holes by players, not otherwise prize-winners, of handicaps 19 to 24, full handicap being deducted.

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12.28 a.m. Page and Barclay
12.32 a.m. Featherston and Frederick
12.36 a.m. Burn and Gibberton

NEW COURSE

9.20 a.m. Moffatt and Tomlinson
9.24 a.m. Holt and Agnew
9.28 a.m. Shackleton and Rudolf
9.32 a.m. Peck and Williams
9.36 a.m. Smith and Macpherson
9.40 a.m. Alley and Bowie
9.44 a.m. Simpson and Heane
9.48 a.m. Brown and Taylor
9.52 a.m. Peck and Williams
9.56 a.m. Meek and Johnstone
10.00 a.m. Rose and Hyde
10.04 a.m. Newham and Stewart
10.08 a.m. Chatterley and del Court
10.12 a.m. MacLeod and Collin
10.16 a.m. MacLeod and Collin
10.20 a.m. Pinkerton and Drew-Wilkinson
10.24 a.m. Ferguson and Lawrence
10.28 a.m. Wilkinson and Colson
10.32 a.m. Ingram and Hickman
10.36 a.m. Helly and Tracey
10.40 a.m. Bar and Carter
10.44 a.m. Robertson and Webb
10.48 a.m. Archer and Helly
10.52 a.m. Warwick and Brown
10.56 a.m. Way and Whitehead
11.00 a.m. Lock and Holmes
11.04 a.m. Nicholson and Harvey
11.08 a.m. Penfold and Temple
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GOLF CLUB DRAWS

The draw of the match play stages of the Captain's Cup of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club resulted as follows:

T. McGray (11) v. G. Riddell (12)
(13) J. W. Mayhew (14) v. W. W. D. S. (15)
S. Edwards (16) v. J. Reidy (17) v. G. D. S. (18)
S. Thompson (19) v. C. H. Burton (20)
J. Forbes (21) v. E. Perry (22) v. W. E. Littlejohn (23)
L. M. S. Lloyd (24) v. J. T. Bullin (25)
First round to be played on or before January 1, 1940; second round by January 15; semi-final by January 28 and final by February 11.

The World Of Sports

Dempsey's Financial Comeback; Honour For Garcia; Sam King Heads Golf Averages

Jack Dempsey, who is on his way to Manila to referee the Coforino Garcia-Glen Lee fight on December 16 for which he is to receive approximately P20,000—the highest fee for a referee in the history of boxing—is likely to be a millionaire again before long. According to Jacob Amron, his restaurant partner in New York, he is at present worth more than \$750,000 and within 18 months he will be a millionaire again.

Six years ago Dempsey was broke although at one time he had between three and five million dollars which he had earned during the hey-day of Tex Rickard.

He lost his world heavyweight title to Gene Tunney in September, 1926 and, like all other heavy champions, he failed to regain his Crown. But differing from ex-champs and ex-fighters in virtually every division, he is rehabilitating himself financially; and that is a greater comeback than any he could have pounded out in the ring.

Resides his restaurant business, he is also in the tailoring and liquor trade, and although he has not been taking an active part in boxing for a long time he is still much sought after as a referee as shown by his latest engagement—the Garcia-Lee bout.

AND talking of this fight, it may be of interest to know that Garcia has been voted the world middleweight champion over Al Hostak by fourteen votes to one. The third Filipino to win a world boxing title, Garcia received an enthusiastic welcome from his countrymen when he arrived at Manila towards the end of last month, and by defending his title on his native soil he has achieved the ambition of every Filipino boxer.

He will be the second "world champion" to meet in Manila in 14 years. The first was held in 1925 when the late Pancho Villa successfully defended his flyweight crown against Cleveland Seneca. Both these fighters died in following bouts in the United States.

Garcia is the third Filipino to gain recognition as world champion. The first was Villa and the second was Small Montana, who defeated Midget Wolgast in 1935.

The fight on December 16 is likely to be a big draw as steamship companies are arranging special excursion rates for the southern islands as far as 400 miles from Manila.

ANOTHER Filipino who has been honoured by the Boxing Writers' Association of New York is Little Willie, who has been voted the world flyweight champion. The Association has also honoured Bill Conn, world light-heavyweight title holder, by awarding him the Edward J. Neil Memorial Plaque for making the outstanding contribution to boxing during 1939.

THOUGH not a winner of any of the four events in which he took part, Sam King, the young Knole Park assistant, heads the averages in the list of professional golfers who have competed in the major stroke tournaments in the past season in Britain. These were the Daily Mail at Bournemouth, Silver King at Moortown, the Open Championship at St. Andrews, the Royal Open at Newcastle and the News Chronicle at East Brighton.

King's average for 16 rounds was 72.37 which compares with Reginald Whitcombe's 73 for 20 rounds and Henry Cotton's 73.25 for 32 rounds. The minimum number of rounds to qualify is 16. A. H. Padgham has the same average as Cotton.

The number of strokes which King took for the four competitions was 1,180, against R. A. Whitcombe's 1,400, Cotton's 870 and Padgham's 1,172.

NOTHING left to conquer is the enviable record of Chaledon, the magnificent thoroughbred owned by Mr. W. L. Brann, of New York, which stands as the undisputed king of the three-year-old racing world. The war ruined Chaledon's chances for a visit to England this autumn and a shot at the Ascot Gold Cup next year, as had been planned.

Chaledon's achievements this year include winning the Arlington Classic, beating Kaysa II in the Narayanscott Special and breaking the world's record for a mile and 3-16ths in winning the \$5,000 Tranter Purse event, in the time of 1 min. 54.4 sec., which beats the former mark of 1 min. 55 sec. set by Discovery in 1934.

DEMPSEY DELAYED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5 (UP).—Jack Dempsey's departure for Manila has been postponed one day due to the Clipper being delayed by weather.

Dempsey is going to Manila to referee the Coforino Garcia-Glen Lee fight for the world, middleweight championship scheduled to take place on December 16.

Cricket

FASTEST CENTURY AWARD

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Sir Walter Lawrence announces that the trophy which he presents annually for the fastest hundred will go to Leslie Ames, of England and Kent, for the second time during his career.

On July 11 at the Oval, Ames completed a century in 67 minutes. Altogether he scored 130 and was primarily responsible for Kent beating Surrey by seven wickets. After Garfield-Woods declared, Kent hit off 231 runs in less than two hours, gaining a brilliant victory with 25 minutes to spare.

Last season was the sixth in which the Lawrence Trophy was up for contest and Ames repeated his success of 1938 when he made his century in 68 minutes for an England XI against India at Folkestone. The other winners of the trophy have been: Woolley, Gimblett, Hardstaff and H. T. Bartlett.

Hardstaff holds the record in this event. In 1927 he hit 100 against Kent at Canterbury in 51 minutes.

Bryn Jones Looking For Employment

LONDON.—The war has certainly made a difference in the value of soccer players. Only a short time ago, managers were going around waving large cheques for players, but now these same players are looking for work.

The world's most expensive footballer, Bryn Jones, for whom Arsenal paid £14,000 when he was bought from Cardiff City, is unable to find employment in London. He tried to join the A.R.P., Police War Reserve and other war-time services, but without success, so he is returning to Wales.

Bryn Jones is not playing for Arsenal in the Regional competitions for Mr. George Allison. Arsenal's manager, says that the club cannot afford to pay his travelling expenses to and from Wales, so Cardiff City will have the services of this expensive player for just his weekly wage. Another Arsenal player, Cunneen, the Welsh International winger, has also been given permission to play for Cardiff City.

WILLIE BUCHAN

Another high-price player to return to his home country is Willie Buchan, the Scottish forward whose introduction into English football cost Blackpool £10,000 less than two years ago.

Buchan has returned to his home town, Grangemouth, and his old club Glasgow Celtic, has received permission from Blackpool to play him.

Peter McKenna is another major star who had English Managers out-bidding each other for his services. One club offered Patrick Thistle £12,000 for his services last season but this was refused. McKenna, however happened to be in North Wales recently and he turned out for Wrexham, so this little Third Division side had a star whom they never expected to see, playing for them.

Amendments To Badminton League Fixtures

Slight printing errors in the Mixed Doubles badminton league fixtures have been found in the handbook, and clubs are requested to note the following amendments.

The correct fixture for December 16 is Recreio "A" v. Talook. The proper fixture for March 1 is Recreio "B" v. St. John's, and it should be noted that K.C.C. are due to play at home to Talook on March 16.

Clubs are also asked to note that the February 2 fixtures have been transposed and appear below those of February 9 in the handbook.

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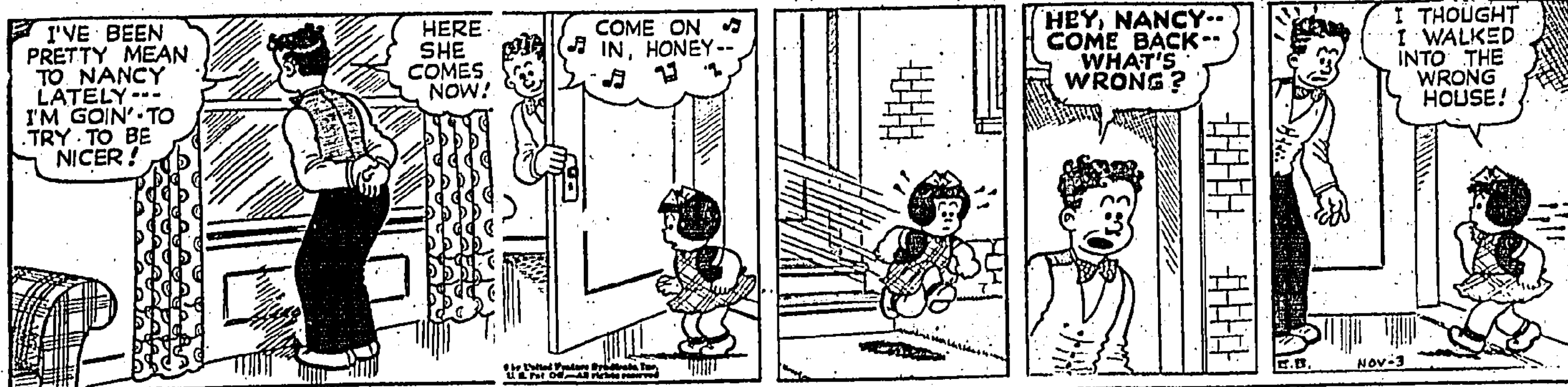
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sweetly to the last shred and is
exceptionally long-lasting.

DENUNCIATION OF
RED INVASION LED
BY AMERICA

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her back payments to the United
States.

No British Protest

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Asked
in the House of Commons to-day if
the Government had yet sent any
protest to Berlin and Moscow regard-
ing the violation of Finnish territory,
the Prime Minister replied in the
negative.

Rome Demonstrations

ROME, Dec. 5 (UP).—The Fascist
student demonstrations against Russia
on behalf of Finland had spread to
Milan and continued in Rome to-
day.

"Down with Communism! Viva
Finland!" was the cry of thousands
of demonstrators who paraded the
streets of the capital.

The police estimated that over a
thousand demonstrated outside the
Finnish Legation while another
column of 500 marched past the
American Consulate General shouting
anti-Soviet slogans. Several groups
attempted to march on the Soviet
Embassy but steel-helmeted grena-
diers blocked the route and dispersed
the demonstrators.

A delegation of ten students called
on the Finnish Minister on behalf of
university students throughout Italy
and expressed their admiration for
the Finnish stand against their all-
powerful neighbour.

The Finnish Minister said he would
send their greetings to Finnish
students.

German Pressure?

Reports are current that Germany
may bring pressure to bear on Russia
to reach a peaceful settlement with
Finland in order to please Italy.

These reports are based on the sud-
den departure for Berlin of the Ger-
man Ambassador.

The authoritative newspaper
"Messagero," in an editorial to-day,
said that Russia would encounter
trouble if she attempted to push
southward to the Balkans.

Nazis Recalled

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—
It is reported that First Secretary
Nikolai Ivanoff and two other mem-
bers of the Soviet Embassy in Berlin
have been suddenly recalled to
Moscow.

The reason for the move is not
revealed.

Much comment is caused in Berlin
by the action, which comes at a
moment when Germany urgently de-
sires her relations with Russia to
appear outwardly cordial.

No Nazi Intervention

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
BERLIN, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Affirm-
ing Germany's intention to refrain
from intervention in the Soviet-
Finnish conflict, the "Diplomatische
Korrespondenz" says:

"Germany and Russia having re-
established friendly relations, it can-
not be the business of the Reich to
interfere where Russia has decided to
safeguard her ancient and vital
interests."

STOCK MARKETS
ARE DULL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—On
the Stock Exchange, markets were
dull and heavy owing to the absence
of support.

Quotations were outstanding and firm.
On the announcement that there
were some good November profits,
Internationals were also quietly
steady.

Commodities advanced strongly in
sympathy with Calcutta together
with good spot demand.
Wall Street was irregular.

BRITISH SHIPS
REQUISITIONED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—With
a view to ensuring regular impor-
tation of goods by the North Atlantic
route, the Minister of Shipping is
requisitioning British ships for car-
goes bought by the Ministry of Food.

Requisitioning may be extended to
the conveyance of other essential
Government cargoes.

Sir John Gilmour, the Minister of
Shipping, announced these steps in
the House of Commons to-day.

Royal Christmas
Cards For B.E.F.

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Their
Majesties the King and Queen are
sending Royal Christmas cards to all
members of the Army and R.A.F.
serving in France.

Exchange At
A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 3/4
Demand do.	1/3 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	3/18
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	45 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	108 1/2
T.T. France	10 10/0
T.T. Switzerland	100 1/2
T.T. Australia	1 1/4
BUYING	
4m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3 00/2

New Strike
Threat

San Francisco Water
Workers Disagree

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5 (UP).—
The Clerk's Union has accepted the
proposal of Dr. Louis Bloch of the
Maritime Labour Board, to arbitrate
the Union's demand for control in
hiring monthly clerks and super-
visors. However, the Waterfront
Employers' Association has rejected
the proposal.

Mr. Harry Bridges to-day made a
statement which is interpreted as
threatening a coastwide strike. The
Unions are considering "means of
halting the diversion of San Francisco
commerce to other ports, especially
San Pedro, and we do not see any
reason why San Pedro should be kept
open when San Francisco is striking
on demands of the same type of
contract which San Pedro enjoy,"
declared Mr. Bridges.

The Employers' Association said
they were unable to arbitrate because
the selection of clerks and supervisors
constitutions would be adjourned,
subject to call.

South Africa's
Christmas Box

Donation Of £100,000

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 5 (Reuter).
—The South African War Fund
has decided to send £100,000 to
Britain as a Christmas gift.

One million South African ciga-
rettes will be sent to British troops on
the Western Front, and another mil-
lion to French troops as a Christmas
box.

After this, one million cigarettes
will be sent to the men at the front
every month.

ANOTHER ELEVEN
DEAD IN FIRE

A further eleven bodies have been
recovered from the ruins of 482
Shanghai Street.

This brings the total deaths to 53—
the highest recorded in Hongkong
since the fateful Race-course fire on
February 26, 1918.

All of the bodies recovered yester-
day were charred beyond recognition
and neither the sex nor the age of
the victims can be determined.

In addition to the 53 dead, 22
persons, some in a critical condition,
are in Kowloon Hospital.

Damaged Submarine
Takes To Sea Again

OSLO, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—It is re-
vealed that the British submarine
brought to a Norwegian port on
December 1 has been repaired and
has left for British waters.

Form Anti-Nazi
Organisation

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 5 (Reu-
ter).—Germans have formed an anti-
Nazi organisation in Johannesburg
with branches in other towns.

FINNISH RESISTANCE
SURPRISES
"ALL-CONQUERING"
SOVIET FORCES

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pillar tractors are overcoming these
obstacles with a minimum of losses,
although progress is slow.

Reds Using "Dum-Dums"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).
—An official Finnish communiqué
states that in the three days of fight-
ing in the Karelian Isthmus, 64
Russian tanks were taken.

In one fight alone, 2,000 Russians
were killed.

The Finnish authorities have
evidence proving that the Russians
are using "dum-dum" bullets and
also that they are shooting their own
men from behind.

In the fierce fighting at Salmi,
many prisoners were taken.

In one engagement, eight out of ten
Russian tanks were destroyed.

The prisoners taken said that they
had been told that it would take five
or six days to conquer Finland and
that Finland was the aggressor.

Small Finnish Losses

The Finns losses in the last few
days are stated to be very small.

Naval authorities state that the
Russians have taken the island of
Tutasaari.

80 Tanks Destroyed

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).
—Finnish troops are reported to have
annihilated two Russian tank regi-
ments of 40 tanks each.

The tanks were destroyed by anti-
tank artillery.

Warship Bombardment

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
SVANIK, Dec. 6 (UP).—It is re-
ported from the frontier that a small
Soviet warship is bombarding the
Petsamo-Lilleshärä sector of the
Finnish Arctic coast.

PLAINLY STATED BY
HALIFAX

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that we had known these last
years.

Profoundly Shocked

Referring to Finland, Lord Halifax
said that the British people were
profoundly shocked by the circum-
stances of the Soviet attack, and they
profoundly admired the magnificent
resistance of the Finns.

Referring to the Anglo-Russian
negotiations, he thought that events
had shown that the judgment and
instinct of the British Government
in refusing an agreement with the
Soviet on the terms and formulas
covering cases of indirect aggression
on the Baltic states were right; for
it was now plain that this formula
might well have been a cloak for
ultimate designs, and he had little
doubt that the people of Britain
would prefer to face difficulties and
embarrassments rather than feel that
we had compromised the honour of
Britain and the Commonwealth on
such issues.

AWAITING ZERO HOUR

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frontal attack on the main Finnish
positions.

Meanwhile streams of fugitives
continue to cross the Norwegian
border, but not a single Finnish
soldier has passed into Norway.

Finnish Minister Detained

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The
Finnish Minister in Moscow is being
held and the Legation is unable to
leave the country, according to a
Finnish source in London.

Salmi Jaervi Bombed

OSLO, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Three
Russian warplanes are reported to
have bombed Salmi Jaervi.

A number of explosions were heard
at the frontier.

Nickel Mines Bombed

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Three
Soviet aeroplanes bombed the nickel
mines near Petsamo to-day.

According to reports the city is
burnt to the ground.

The Russians have landed addi-
tional troops from a cruiser and two
destroyers.

PARLIAMENT'S
SECRET SESSION

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—In the
House of Commons to-day, Mr.
Neville Chamberlain announced that
he would give one day for a secret
sitting of the House to consider mat-
ters connected with the Ministry of
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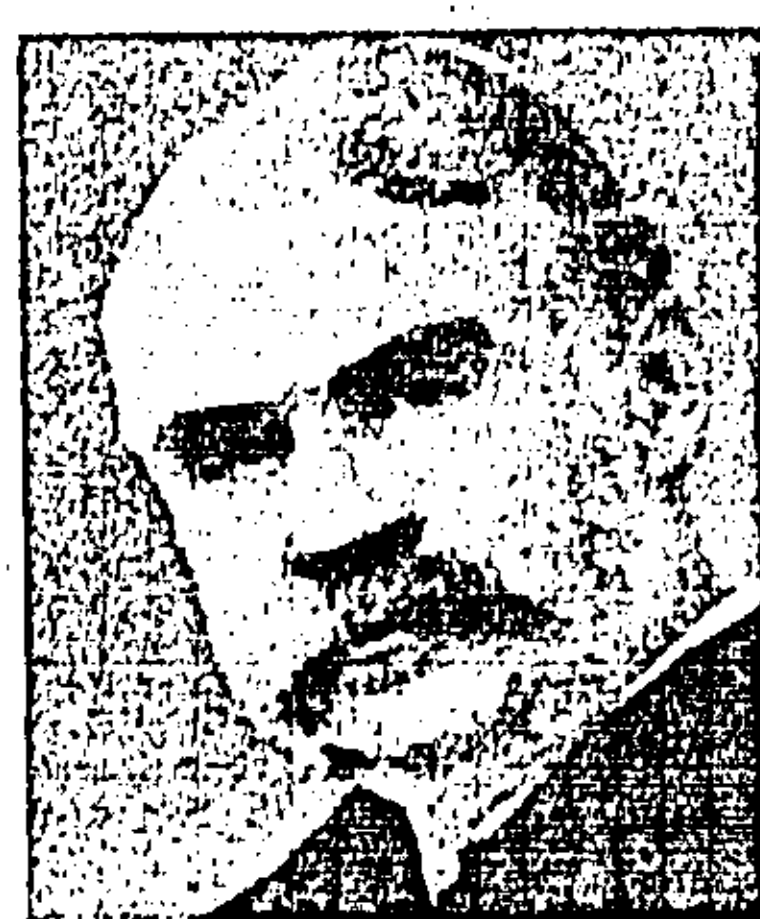
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"THE MIKADO" RETURNING

GILBERT

Rathbone's Son Enlists for War

Grim reality of the European war struck home at the Basil Rathbone's when their son, Rodion Rathbone, 23, enlisted for service with the Royal Engineering Corps.

Rodion, born in London during the last war in which his father received the Military Cross for service with the British Expeditionary Force, thus becomes the first British subject in Hollywood to leave for France.

Rathbone's son is an engineer by training, having received a degree on graduation from Clifton College in England. After a brief period in a studio sound department, he recently followed his father into the acting profession.

Adopting the professional name of John Rodion, he made his debut in "Dawn Patrol." He recently finished a part in Universal's "Tower of London," in which his father is starred. In the latter film Rodion had a taste of English warfare of 500 years ago when the War of the Roses was re-created for the film.



Elsa Maxwell, the famous American party-giver, makes her cinema debut in "Hotel for Women," the Cosmopolitan production for 20th Century-Fox, which will commence screening here next week.

HONGKONG Gilbert and Sullivan fans who missed the mid-night preview of "The Mikado" this summer will be pleased to learn that the film will be re-screened at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres commencing on Saturday.

The complete cast and chorus of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, most famous of all Gilbert and Sullivan troupes, whose musical forebears first produced "The Mikado" on March 14, 1885, to start runs of 672 London and 250 New York performances, are featured in the film.

Kenny Baker, radio tenor, sings the leading role to the accompaniment of the London Symphony Orchestra.

No other musical comedy can boast an audience as large as that of "The Mikado." By October, 1936, there were 117 companies playing it in every corner of the United States. By 1938 it had passed its 1000th American performance. It played for 550 weeks on Broadway.

In filming "The Mikado" care was taken to present it in the best Gilbert and Sullivan tradition. All the songs and score are presented intact.

All the comedy "business" introduced into the action by Gilbert, witliest man of his day, and handed down from year to year by the D'Oyly Cartes, are in the film.

For instance on opening night, 1885, George Grossmith in the comic role of Ko-Ko, accidentally fell at the conclusion of "The Flowers That Broom In The Spring" song. The audience howled. Gilbert ordered the tumble to be kept in the part. It has since figured in every "Mikado" performance. Mary Green the funniest living Ko-Ko, does it in the present motion picture.

The costumes were designed by Marcel Vertes, world-famous painter. Geoffrey Toye, authority on Gilbert and Sullivan technique and long associated with the Covent Garden Opera Company, produced the picture and directed the music. Natalie Kalms of the Technicolor Motion Picture Corporation was in charge of the colour photography.



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20th Century—
Fox Visitor

Mr. D. Goodman, 20th Century-Fox Far Eastern Supervisor, arrived in the Colony yesterday morning en route from Shanghai to Singapore.

Connected with 20th Century-Fox in the Far East for the past 17 years, Mr. Goodman only recently returned from a visit to America.

New Trend In British
Film Production

A REPORT was recently circulating amongst British film people that their films, during the war, may be made by mobile units touring the country in vans—operating one month, say, in the North of Ireland, another in the Lake district—each unit entirely self-contained and comprehensive, travelling its own actors.

Such a plan, of course, is feasible. Odder things have happened and are happening daily. Films with a small cast and a quick schedule might conceivably be made in this way. What is more, cut free of the red tape of studio organisation, they might prove to be both virile and economic.

Conditions were very different during the last war. British studios then were generally the flimsiest affairs, often glass-roofed, like gigantic conservatories. Some of them were mere barns, hastily thrown together. The best had the solidity of the average village hall.

"NO BETTER SHELTER"

To-day, there are few better air raid shelters than the British film studios. One or two studios, indeed, are regarded as so secure that they have been taken over for the storage of city records and Government documents.

The ground floor stage of one studio has been recognised as the official air raid shelter for a crowded area. There, at the sound of the siren, you may find the children from the local fish-and-chip shop rubbing shoulders with a £50 a turn comedian.

At another studio the voluntary fire brigade and ambulance unit has been accepted for years as the smartest and best-equipped outfit in the district. A third, which, so far, has received no official recognition from the local A.R.P. authorities, is equipped with underground shelters that could house more than 3,000 people comfortably in case of emergency. Planned by the studios for the benefit of its own employees, these shelters are open to any passer-by, and look like becoming the sanctuary for every household within hurrying distance.

VAST AIR DUCTS

The studio in question, was fortunate in starting life with underground ducts for air-conditioning the stages that resemble, in a small way, the labyrinth of the Paris sewers. Equipment in the ducts themselves, and slight structural alterations in the exits and entrances, have turned them into almost ideal air raid shelters.

Wooden benches line the walls. There are barrels of water, paper drinking-cups, and a supply of food. In the central chamber, like a miniature Piccadilly-circus, is a round station, where the ducts join, there is a first-aid post with a nursing sister permanently in charge, shining steel cabinets of first-aid accessories, stretchers, and all sorts of surgical appliances.

Fully-trained Red Cross and St. John Ambulance helpers are stationed in every duct. There are fire-fighters and decontamination squads, men with picks, and men with long-handled shovels.

THE DRILL

At the first threat of a raid the enormous dynamos in the powerhouse are cut off. Every studio worker, already trained in A.R.P. drill, makes his way to his allotted duct. The fire-proof doors to the various film stages are promptly closed. A system of field telephones is manned at three key-points on the studio lot, so that emergency fire-fighting, demolition, or decontamination squads can be sent to any point at a moment's notice.

The A.R.P. organisation, which numbers something like sixty members, is entirely drawn from voluntary studio workers, who have given up their evenings during the last year to attending lectures and preparing for any such emergency.

The chief A.R.P. officer is the studio manager, the senior warden and his assistant are heads of the studio police department. Other officers and trained helpers include the studio's master carpenter, the chief floor electrical engineer, the head of the construction department, the restaurant manager, the company's secretary, the chief accountant, the make-up expert, the head gardener's wife, the still photographer's wife, and many of the clerical staff.

The studio itself has provided equipment, gas-proof, and decontamination suits, steel helmets, and thousands of sandbags for vulnerable stations.

Incidentally, one of the oddest camouflages of the war has been involuntarily provided by these sand-bag shelters. When sand ran short the bags were filled with earth from the studio lots. After a few autumn nights of rain, these bags began to sprout. By next spring it is expected that grass-grown mounds will cover all the entrances to the studio shelters.

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AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE

ON THE HOME FOOD FRONT



IN A FEW WEEKS food rationing will be in force in England, but it is as well to know that the position on the Food Front is good and that advances in the production of home-grown produce are being made with ease and efficiency. A glimmering of the really extensive activities in this direction now being made up and down the country is seen in this page of pictures. Above are women who have come to the aid of a Lancashire farmer, gathering the crop of potatoes, described by the farmer as "wonderful."



TWO PICTURES (top and left) from a Hertfordshire farm which produces thousands of chickens and eggs, at the same time affording valuable training for many Land Girls, who will materially help to ensure an ample food supply. The little evacuee in the picture above will obviously become a poultry farmer.

SCHOOLBOYS CONSIDER, since being evacuated, that botany lessons are far more interesting when held in the country than when held in town classrooms. On the right are pupils of Cudworth Modern School, near Barnsley, at work in the new glass house in the school's large kitchen garden.



NATIONAL SERVICE.—Men in the industrial village of Bamber Bridge, near Preston, are doing in a small way a great job of work on the land. Some time ago, when milks in their area ceased to provide enough work, they enlarged their small plots, which started with one acre between 16 men, to five acres between 10, and now in time of emergency they are tackling their job with renewed vigour—and incidentally setting a good example to others.

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SILVER SPECULATION

Over-Bullishness Causes Difficulties in Bombay

London, Dec. 4.
The fixing of the price of silver was delayed for an hour to-day due to the critical speculative situation in Bombay where the local price was equivalent to 31d. per ounce.
The difficulties on the Bombay market were attributed to over-bullishness, speculators reportedly having bought some 25,000,000 ounces, hoping to re-sell to up-country hoarders. But the latter are strangely slow in buying at the present rate, and purchases have been made at the rate of only a few thousand ounces daily, hence the fears that the Bombay price will topple.
Paradoxically the "bears" are also worried. Dealers sold silver not in their possession, and are finding the utmost difficulty in securing the actual metal for delivery.
In the meantime both London and Bombay are endeavouring to check the Indian silver boom without precipitating a collapse; hence the London price is being kept insulated from the Bombay price.—United Press.

LONDON MARKET PRICES.

London, Dec. 4.
Silver—India bought. Business small. Market quietly steady. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady.
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WESTERN FRONT INCREASED ACTIVITY

German Radios Fail

BERLIN, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—There was increased activity today on the Western Front, according to an official German war communiqué.

There was local activity, says the communiqué, except for some stronger enemy artillery action east of the Moselle River.

German Turned Back
PARIS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Tonight's French war communiqué revealed that the Germans made a number of raids on the western front yesterday which failed.

It is not stated where the raids took place, but it is known that the Germans have recently been busy in the Lissembourg region.

The German communiqué said that there was heavy French artillery activity near the Luxembourg frontier.

SCENE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—There was an incident in the House of Commons today when the Socialist member, Mr. W. Dobbie, raised a question concerning delayed payment of allowances to wives in his constituency—Rotherham, Yorkshire—whose husbands were in the army. Mr. Dobbie persisted in shouting when called to order by the Speaker. He finally left the House and returned after a short period.

LATE NEWS

U.S.-Japan Relations

Officials Studying Latest Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5, (UP).—State Department officials are studying Ambassador Grew's report from Tokyo to determine whether it offers a basis for settling the Japanese-American conflicts.

They said that pending a study, they would be unable to comment.

Although it is understood that Grew and Nomura did not specifically discuss negotiations for a new commercial pact, it is believed that the conciliatory Japanese action indicated that Mr. Nomura's proposals in connection with the claims was intended to serve as a basis.

U.S. AND ALLIES BLOCKADE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).

A decision can be expected this week as to whether the United States will protest to Britain and France regarding the Allies' seizure of German exports, said an official of the State Department.

He added that the question has been studied for some time by officials of the State Department, following the protests of other neutrals.

CONSOLING FIGURES

Navy's Losses Half Those Of 1914

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—From August 4 to November 4, 1914, the Navy lost 22 ships totalling 125,656 tons, including five cruisers and one aircraft carrier torpedoed, one battleship, one cruiser and eight other ships mined, and three cruisers sunk in action by enemy surface ships.

From September 3 to December 3, 1939, the losses amount to nine vessels, totalling 73,886 tons, including two over-age warships, the Courageous and the battleship Royal Oak, torpedoed, and four mined.

Thus the losses at the beginning of this war are little more than half the tonnage, and less than half the number of ships in the same period of the last war.

The margin of superiority of the Allied Fleet is immeasurably greater today than in 1914.

Canadian Navy Increased
OTTAWA, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The Canadian Navy is ready for any call that might be made on it, and the normal six destroyers and five minesweepers have been increased by 50 craft of all kinds.

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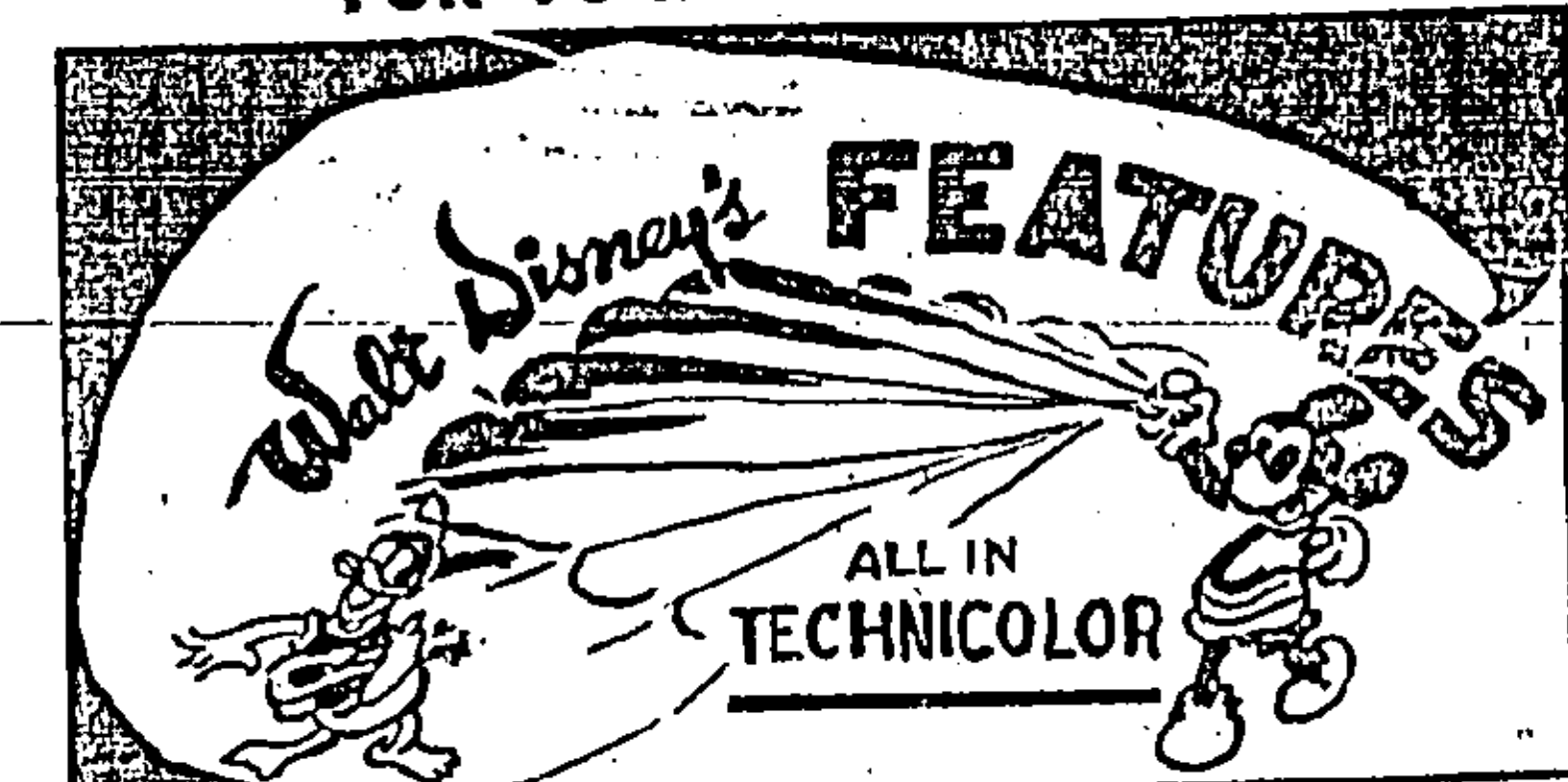
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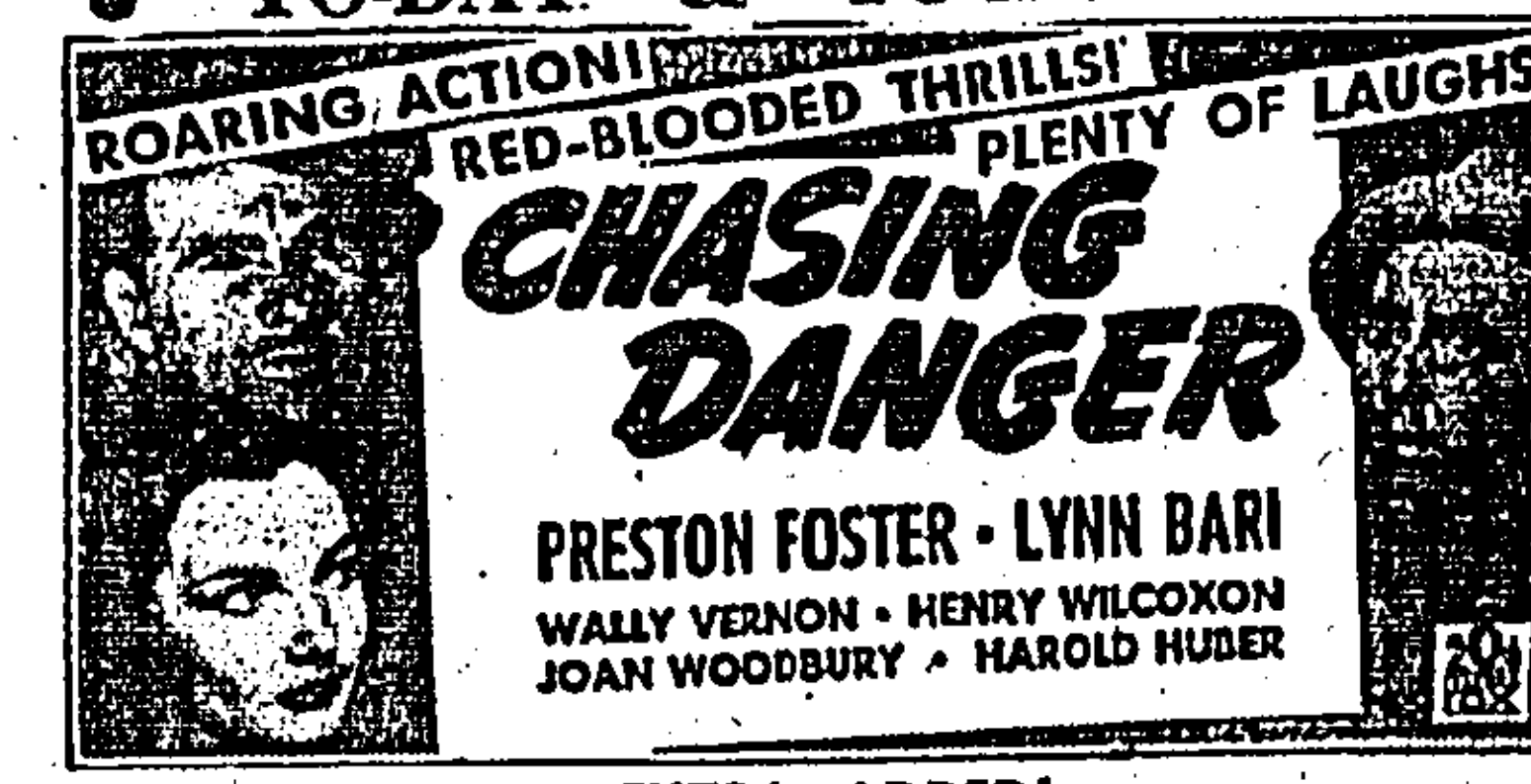


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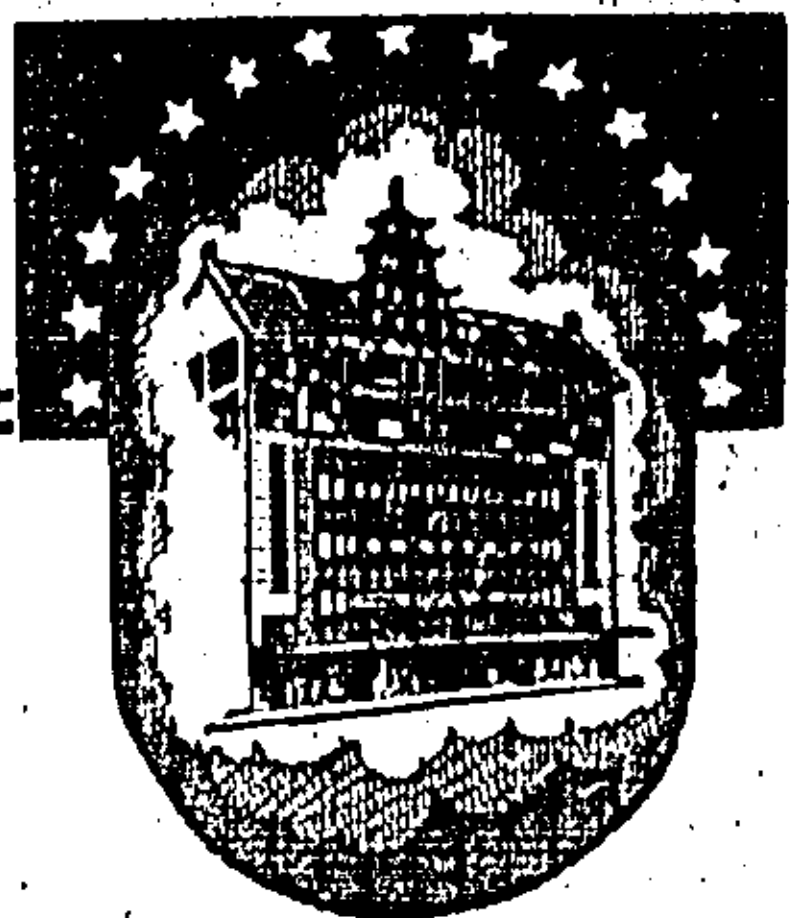
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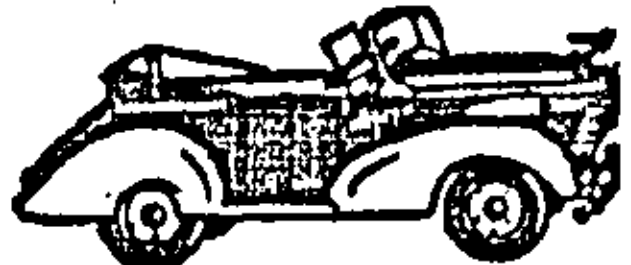
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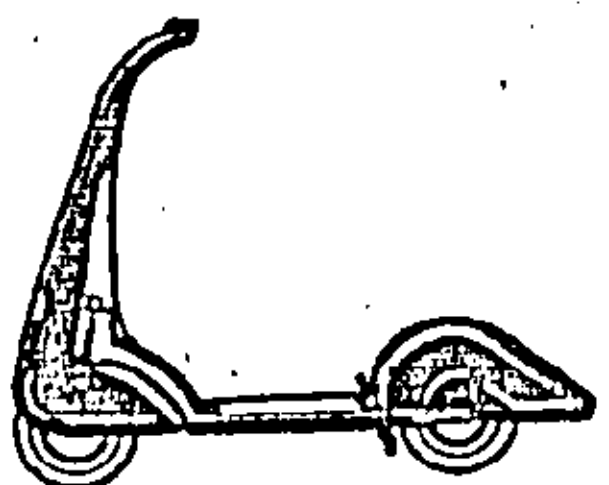


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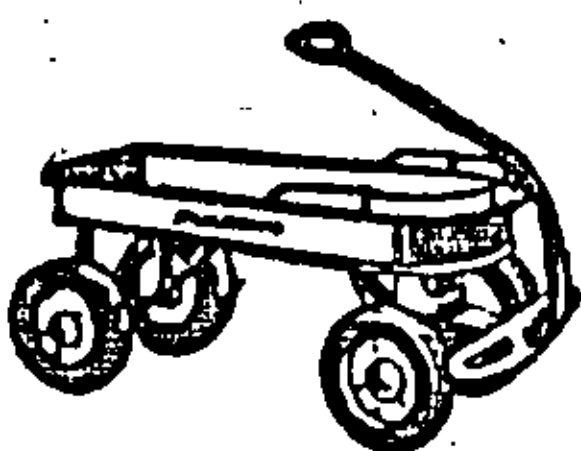
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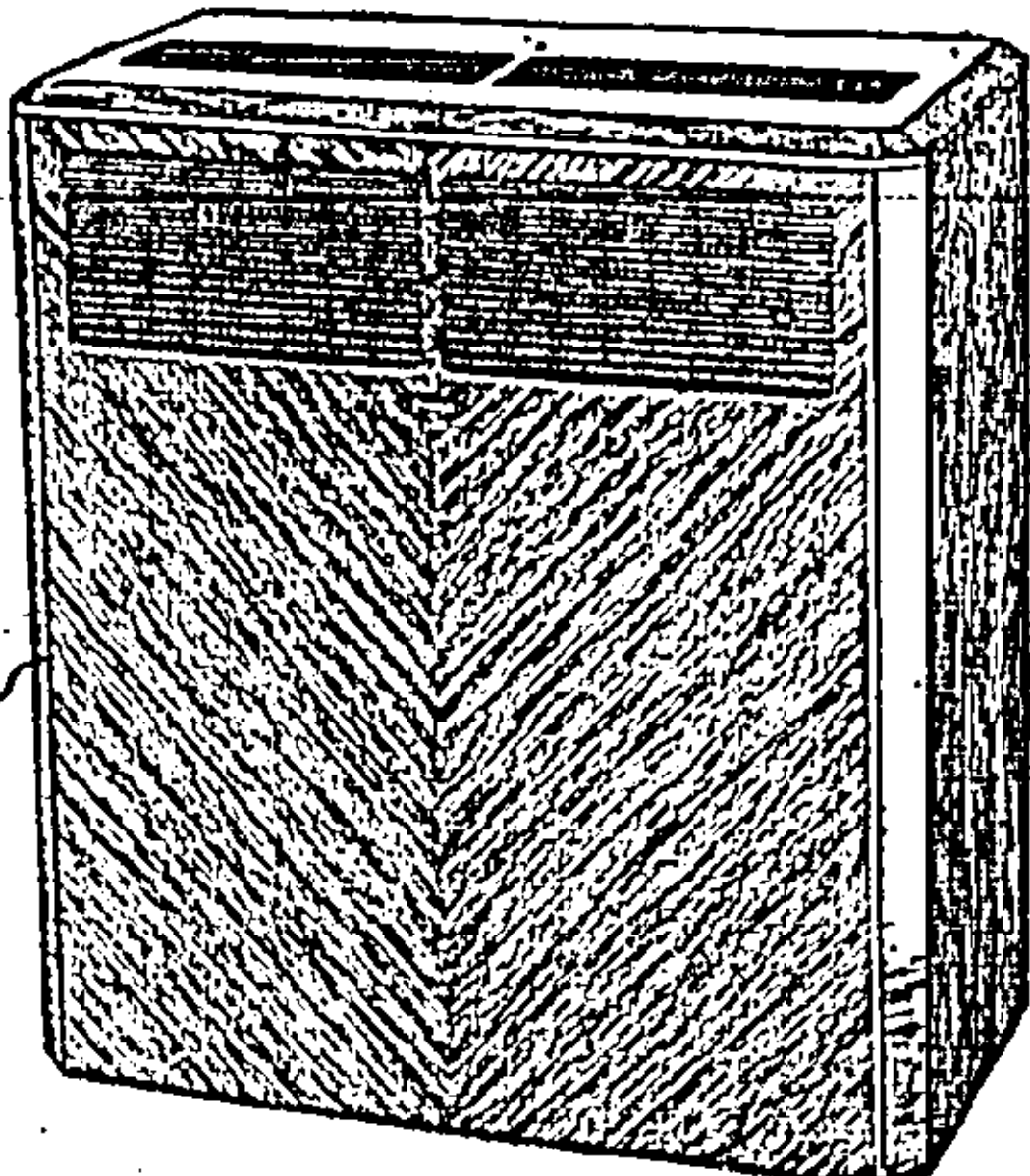
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At the audit of accounts the other day, on the turning over of the seals of the Viceroyalty of the Liang Kung by Chang Chih-tung to Li Han-chang, the sum of nine million taels in hard cash, was credibly informed, was handed over to the new Viceroy by the Treasurer of Chang Chih-tung.

25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1914.
In Belgium the enemy has assumed the defense and his cannonading has slackened. We progressed at several points and are firmly holding others already acquired.

In the Solons district intermittent cannonading prevailed. In Argonne several attacks were repulsed. In Woivre the enemy bombarded Apremont forest.

A Yellow Book completes the Allies' documents and denies German publications, giving a strong and indisputable impression that the actual crisis in the consequence of the tenacious policy of Germany in seeking war with resolution, beginning from ten years ago.

It is officially announced from Petrograd that stubborn fighting continues in the direction of Lodz. The Germans endeavored to advance in the region of Szecrow, but were repulsed with great losses.

After ten days' fighting the Russians have captured the Austrian positions defending the passes of the Carpathians, thirty miles from Konieczno, north of Bartfeld, through Zhydovakle and Zhidnanova to Houko and south of Mezoo. Labores, capturing quick-firing and other guns.

10 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1929.
Sandy Herd, the veteran British professional golfer, playing at Moor Park, Rickmansworth, today, held out at the eighteen in one stroke. The hole is 146 yards long.

This is the eighteenth occasion in his long career on which Herd has performed the holding-in-one feat and his record in this respect is quite unparalleled. An American golfer has promised Herd a solid gold putter when he does his twentieth hole in one.

A day ahead of schedule, the Asama Maru, the first of the new ultra-modern motor passenger ships built for the N.Y.K.'s Orient-California service arrived in port this morning and berthed at the Kowloon Wharves. She was during the day, the object of general admiration. The two sister-ships, the Chichibu Maru and the Tatsuta Maru, will be seen here in the spring of next year. The three liners are truthfully described as the largest and most magnificent motor ships ever built in Japan.

5 YEARS AGO

Dec. 6, 1934.
Following the British statement of policy in the House of Commons debate on Imperial Defence, and the brooding hint that Germany should give the Powers some reassuring word, there have been rapid developments of disarmament and peace problems in European capitals. The new factors in the situation appear to be of a more hopeful character.

One of the most decisive and hard-fought battles ever waged between the Government forces and the Reds, since the commencement of the anti-Red campaign on the Hunan-Kwangsi border, is reported to have taken place in the vicinity of Chuenchow, within Kwangsi territory, last week-end. The utter defeat of the Reds in this battle was quickly followed by their general withdrawal from the Kwangsi border districts. According to General Liu Chen-mul, Commander of Hunanese Forces in pursuit of the Reds, nearly 10,000 casualties were inflicted on the enemy during the engagement. Five battalions of the Red survivors are being surrounded by the joint Kwangsi-Hunan forces at a point to the south of Chuenchow.

LEAFLET RAIDS ARE NOT MERE PROPAGANDA

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out in the darkness since he has to reach this tremendous height before he can start to do any soaking. Great height naturally lessens the effectiveness of detailed observation, but it does not altogether destroy it. And it makes no difference to the important consideration of actual practice in night navigation over routes which may have to be followed again.



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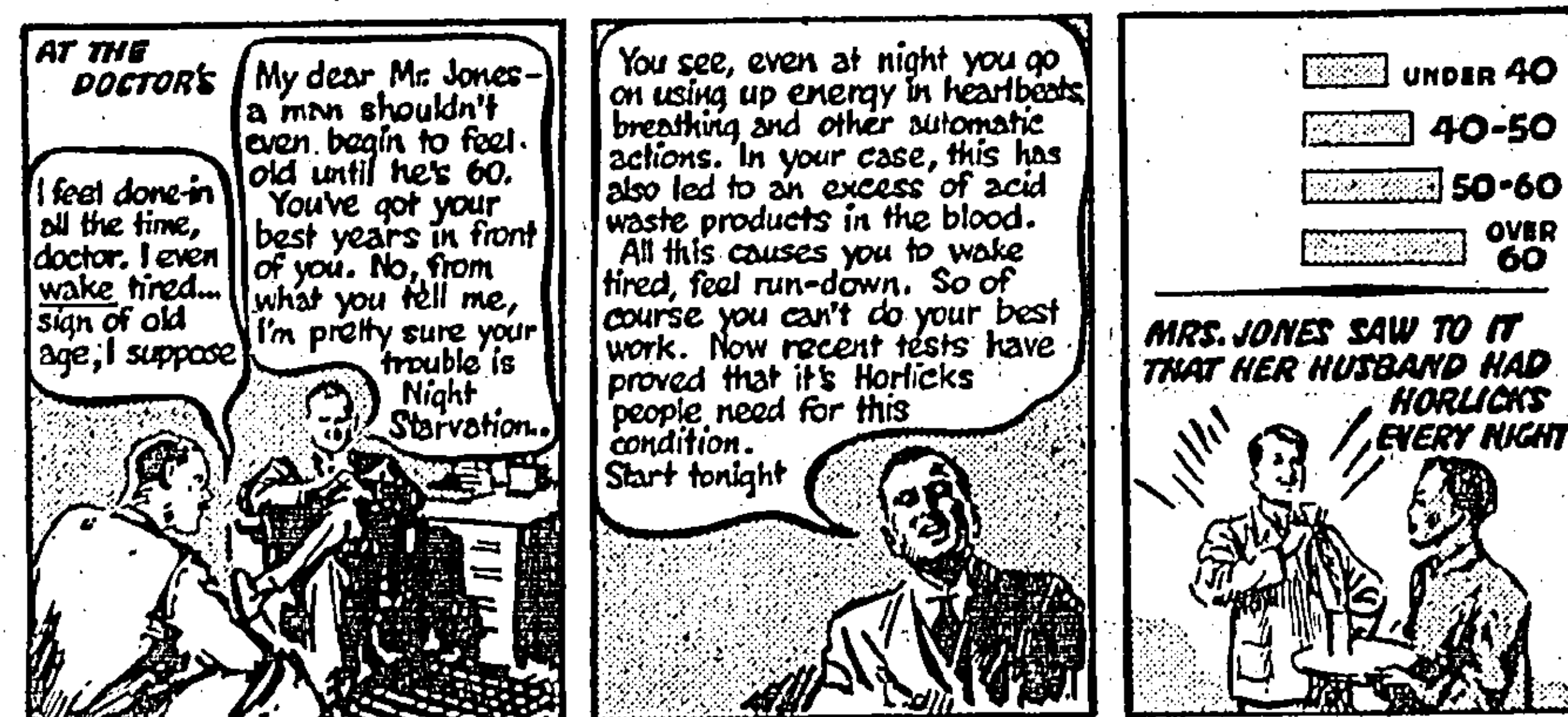
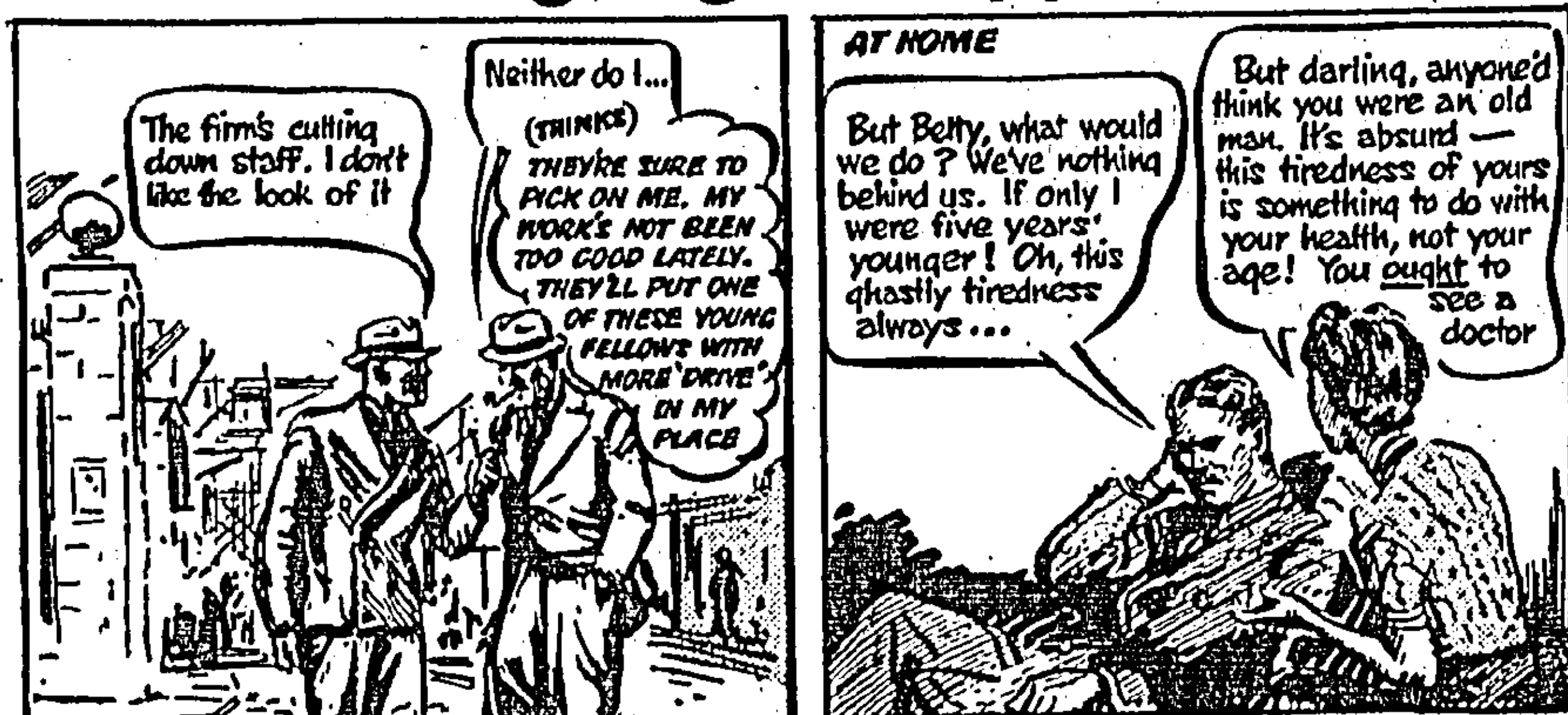
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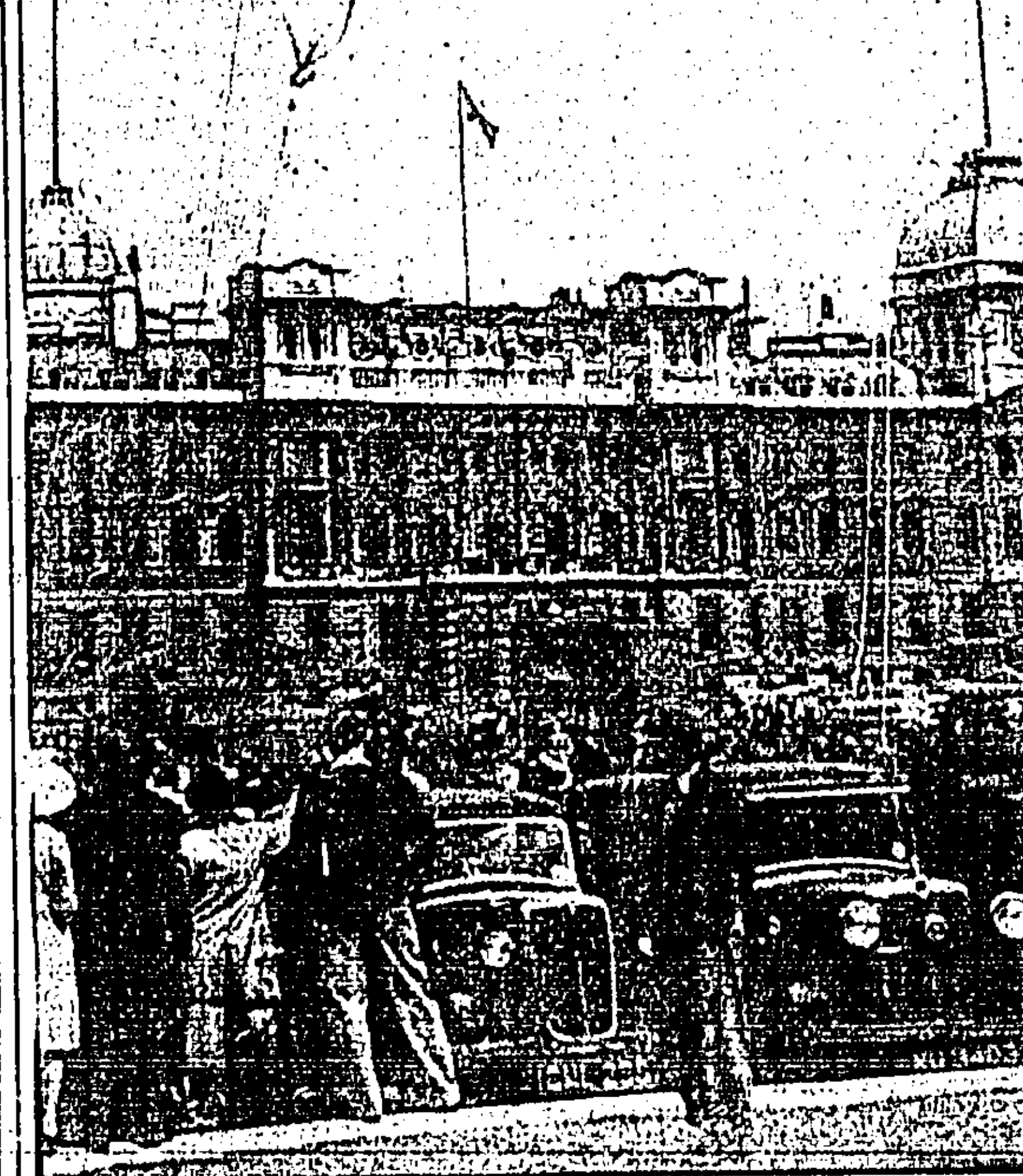
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Leaflet Raids Are Not Mere Propaganda

LONDON.—The British public is now realising that there is more to leaflet-bombing raids than just leaflets. The continued—one might almost say continual—flights over Germany which have carried the wings of Britain over Berlin and the Ruhr and more than 20,000,000 leaflets into the streets and fields of these and other districts, fulfil an important purpose besides disseminating the British point of view.

Described officially as "reconnaissance flights" these raids perform the important function of full-scale practice of night and day flying over enemy territory for bomber pilots.

From the first it was realised that the leaflets themselves could perform a dual purpose. Their propaganda value is not dependent on the written word, for their very presence is calculated to show the German man-in-the-street that British bombers have passed overhead. If the man-in-the-street puts two and two together he must realise that British bombers are learning to find their way about his country in the darkness of night. The secondary message of the leaflets thus becomes, "Don't start anything you couldn't finish."

So far the bombers of the German air arm—Feldt Marshal Hermann Goering claims to have 4,000 of them—have not been in action on a big scale. For their part the French and British have confined their action to reconnaissance work.

GIVES BOMBERS PRACTICE
But the effect of this reconnaissance has been to give the long-range bombers practice, so that the German attempted air attacks on a vast scale on military or non-military objectives far behind the allied lines it could expect reprisals from an air force which, unlike its own, already knows the lay of the land.

On night raids in modern conditions an air force that has "been there before" has a very considerable advantage. With the country side and the towns blacked-out, it is no easy matter for an airman to find any precise objective unless it lies directly beside a sheet of water which shows it up. Furthermore, raids have to be conducted without the help of radio.

Navigation has to be by dead-reckoning and celestial observation. The navigator has to calculate probable drift caused by wind and a small error in such a calculation can make a big difference when planes are travelling at more than 300 miles per hour. Consequently the pilots who have done the trip before and who can pick out what landmarks there are have the advantage.

For these reasons Britain's leaflet raids are assuming an importance which is no longer minimised here.

THE GERMAN VIEWPOINT
There remains another question which the public, of both countries, would probably like answered. That is, how do the British manage to fly about as much as 400 miles inside Germany without suffering heavy casualties, and in some cases, without being challenged at all?

Feldt Marshal Goering's answer is that "if they like to fly at tremendous heights at night and drop their ridiculous leaflets we have no objections."

Others suggest that it is the "unemotional heights" which form the most significant part of the statement. It has now been made public in England that the machines undertaking these flights have a service ceiling of considerably over 30,000 feet. Obviously, unless their approach is detected, it is extremely difficult for a chaser to seek them.

PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

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Shanghai, Dec. 5. The parading of United States Marines, French, Italian, British and Japanese forces, marked the farewell to Col. J. C. Fegan this morning. Mounted Municipal Police escorted him to the parade ground. Col. Fegan departs for the United States aboard the President Taft.

MESSAGE TO NEHRU

Chungking, Dec. 5. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has sent a telegraphic reply to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, leader of the Indian Nationalist Movement, thanking him for his message of congratulation on China's recent victory in north Hunan on behalf of the Indian people.—Central News.

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9.15 London Relay—News Summary.
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11.00 London Relay—"Matters of Moment." Talk by the Right Hon. Herbert Morrison, M.P.
11.15 Close Down.

SCENE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—There was an incident in the House of Commons to-day when the Socialist member, Mr. W. Dobble, raised a question concerning delayed payment of allowances to wives in his constituency—Rotherham, Yorkshire—whose husbands were in the army. Mr. Dobble persisted in shouting when called to order by the Speaker. He finally left the House and returned after a short period.

Airliner Crashes

ROME, Dec. 5 (UP).—Four women passengers were killed, four Italian crewmen and seven passengers were injured and two passengers were not hurt when a Venice-Berlin airliner crashed on Monday near Disentsein in Selvia, Bohemia.

U.S. CITIZENS CAN JOIN UP

OTTAWA, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—It was announced to-day that United States citizens can now volunteer for service in the Royal Canadian Air Force. They must take an oath to the Crown on joining.

DEFENCE TALKS IN PRETORIA

PRETORIA, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Southern Rhodesian leaders and military experts have arrived here for defence talks with the Union of South Africa.

ARGENTINE TO ASK LEAGUE TO "QUARANTINE" RUSSIANS

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organization to appeal for and to coordinate American contributions for the homeless in Finland.

Donation Led By Americas

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (UP).—Officials of the State Department revealed to-day that the United States is prepared to join in a hemispherical denunciation of the Soviet invasion of Finland if all other American Republics desire to take such a step. This coincided with rising political tension on the issue of Russia. Roosevelt's recognition of Soviet Russia, Senator Arthur Vandenberg has called a "break Relations with Moscow" plank to the Republican platform.

State Department officials say that the American attitude had been communicated to other American Republics as a result of suggestions from several Latin American countries seeking a statement.

A general Republican movement is apparently developing for the recall of Ambassador Steinhardt or even a rupture of relations with the Republics. Party considers that the weakest link of the Soviet is the weakest link of the New Deal foreign policy. Senator Vandenberg's statement holds President Roosevelt personally responsible for the recognition of the Soviets and asks for a normal Presidential inquiry to determine whether the "pledge" in the Roosevelt-Litvinoff correspondence has been reduced to a travesty.

Roosevelt's Gesture

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has asked Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr. Secretary of the Treasury, to place the Finnish Debt payment due on December 15 in the suspense account.

Announcing this at a press conference, the President added that when Congress re-assembled he would suggest that the money be returned to Finland for the benefit of the Finnish people, and that it might be possible to make available to Finland some of her bank payments to the United States.

No British Protest

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Asked in the House of Commons to-day if the Government had yet sent any protests to Berlin and Moscow regarding the violation of Finnish territory, the Prime Minister replied in the negative.

Rome Demonstrations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, Dec. 5 (UP).—The Fascist student demonstrations against Russia on behalf of Finland had spread to Milan and continued in Rome to-day.

"Down with Communism! Viva Finland," was a cry of thousands of demonstrators who paraded the streets of the capital.

The police estimated that over a thousand demonstrated outside the Finnish Legation while another column of 500 marched past the American Consulate General shouting anti-Soviet slogans. Several groups attempted to march on the Soviet Embassy but steel-helmeted grenadiers blocked the route and dispersed the demonstrators.

A delegation of ten students called on the Finnish Minister on behalf of university students throughout Italy and expressed their admiration for the Finnish stand against their all-powerful neighbour.

The Finnish Minister said he would send their greetings to Finnish students.

German Pressure?

Reports are current that Germany may bring pressure to bear on Russia to reach a peaceful settlement with Finland in order to please Italy.

These reports are based on the sudden departure for Berlin of the German Ambassador.

The authoritative newspaper "Messagero," in an editorial to-day, said that Russia would encounter trouble if she attempted to push southward to the Balkans.

Nazis Recalled

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—It is reported that First Secretary Nikolai Ivanoff and two other members of the Soviet Embassy in Berlin have been suddenly recalled to Moscow.

The reason for the move is not revealed.

Much comment is caused in Berlin by the action, which comes at a moment when Germany urgently desires her relations with Russia to appear outwardly cordial.

No Nazi Intervention

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Admiral Germany's intention to refrain from intervention in the Soviet-Finnish conflict, the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" says:

"Germany and Russia having re-established friendly relations, it cannot be the business of the Reich to interfere where Russia has decided to safeguard her ancient and vital interests."

Finland's Appeal To The League

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Replying to a question regarding Finland's appeal to the League of Nations, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said that the action of the Finnish Government was taken on their own initiative.

The Council has been summoned for Saturday and the Assembly is expected to meet on Monday. Great Britain will be represented by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who will make a statement on behalf of the British Government.

The China War: Latest Reports

MASS AIR RAIDS BY JAPANESE

Japanese aircraft have been particularly active in South China during the last few days.

"Domei" states that Japanese naval machines on Sunday bombed and demolished the Chinese military positions, troop concentrations, tanks and field-pieces near Kaotang, north-east of Nanning in eastern Kwangsi.

About 100 carts loaded with munitions were bombed and smashed on the road between Kwelien and Hingyueh, while the munition depots and military establishments at Pao-yang, Tingkiueh, Kwelien and Tungkong were also bombed and damaged.

Yesterday morning, Japanese military machines carried out mass bombing attacks on the Chinese military positions along the Hankow-Canton Railway north of Shikwang, Loehong, on the northern border of Kwangtung, was also severely bombed.

"Central News" messages received this morning confirmed the bombing of the areas north of Shikwang. It is stated that eight bombs were released.

Later eight other machines raided Yui, Hupien and Loehong on the Canton-Hankow Railway, dumping over 400 missiles.

On Southern Front

With a Chinese column counter-attacking Yamechow, bitter fighting continues to rage in the south, states a "Central News" message from Kwelien.

Fighting is also said to be going on at Shikung, 15 miles north of Yamechow.

On the Canton-Hankow Railway, the Chinese are continuing their pressure on the Japanese back to Kienlin from Nanchangnang.

Japanese troops at points south of Nanchangnang have been subjected to further attacks.

To the east, a Japanese contingent is fighting to cover the retreat of their troops.

In the Samshui sector after the recapture of Yungtung, the Chinese are attacking Kwelien and Paksha.

To check the Chinese advance, Japanese artillery heavily bombarded Wongtung yesterday morning.

On the northern front, it is stated that the fighting on the Hsinshen-Hongkong front in South Shansi is increasing in severity.

Chinese forces to the west of Hengshingwan took the offensive on Sunday and routed the Japanese there.

From Kinkwa comes a report that more than 400 Japanese and puppet Chinese troops launching an offensive on the Chinese positions near Changching on the west shore of the Taihu Lake have been repulsed with considerable losses.

Japanese "Purge"

A "Central News" message from Chungking this morning states that many Japanese officers and privates have fallen victim to a "purge" recently carried out by the Japanese Gendarmes against the work of the Japanese in Peiping and Tientsin.

These included 13 junior officers and privates in the Simlita detachment and 24 in the Yoshida detachment.

The officers are alleged to have been executed secretly while the privates are said to have been escorted to an islet in the Ryuku group.

AWAITING ZERO HOUR

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have bombed Salmijarvi. A number of explosions were heard at the frontier.

Nickel Mines Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Three Soviet aeroplanes bombed the nickel mines near Petsamo to-day.

According to reports the city is burnt to the ground.

The Russians have landed additional troops from a cruiser and two destroyers.

Americans Evacuated

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—American fugitives from Helsinki have arrived here and were greeted by the U.S. Minister to Sweden.

The U.S. Legation staff is remaining in Finland at a small village near Helsinki.

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PARLIAMENT'S SECRET SESSION

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain announced that he would give one day for a secret sitting of the House to consider military matters connected with the Ministry of Supply.

FINNISH RESISTANCE SURPRISES "ALL-CONQUERING" SOVIET FORCES

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The Finns also claim an advance in the Karelian Isthmus.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Dec. 5 (UP).—The official newspaper Pravda claims that a Soviet naval landing party has occupied the island of Hogland.

The report said the landing party from the Soviet minelayer Karl Marx completed the occupation after Soviet warships from Kronstadt base had shelled the island from behind a smoke screen.

Red dispatches indicate that the Red troops on the Karelian Isthmus north of Leningrad are encountering unexpected difficulties including tank barriers, minefields, earthen emplacements and anti-tank guns.

The dispatches added that the Finns are overcoming these obstacles with a minimum of losses, although progress is slow.

Rods Using "Dum-Dums"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—An official Finnish communiqué states that in the three days of fighting in the Karelian Isthmus, 64 Russian tanks were taken.

One night alone, 2,000 Russians were killed.

The Finnish authorities have evidence proving that the Russians are using "dum-dum" bullets, and also that they are shooting their own men from behind.

In the fierce fighting at Salmi, many prisoners were taken.

In one engagement, eight out of ten Russian tanks were destroyed.

The prisoners taken said that they had been told that they would take five or six days to conquer Finland and that Finland was the aggressor.

Small Finnish Losses

The Finn losses in the last few days are stated to be very small.

Naval authorities state that the Russians have taken the island of Tuusula.

The Finns have moved inland. There is no air fighting owing to the weather, but Finnish planes have made reconnaissance flights and have bombed enemy troops.

80 Tanks Destroyed

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Finnish troops are reported to have annihilated two Russian tank regiments of 40 tanks each.

The tanks were destroyed by anti-tank artillery.

Warship Bombardment

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SVANIK, Dec. 6 (UP).—It is reported from the frontier that a small Soviet warship is bombarding the Petsamo-Liljanharvi sector of the Finnish Arctic coast.

Finnish Captures

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Finnish forces have captured two artillery pieces and four machine guns at Petsamo.

Red Fleet Communique

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Dec. 5 (UP).—A Red Fleet communique denies foreign reports that the cruiser Kirov was seriously damaged in the Hango battle and also denied that a Soviet mine layer was sunk by coastal artillery.

The communique said, "The reports are absolute invention... the Kirov has a range of more than 35 kilometers but the Finnish coastal artillery can shoot only 18 or 20 kilometers. The Kirov was able to fire on Hango and evade the Finnish artillery shells which fell from 4 to 5 kilometers short of the Kirov."

The communique said the Red Army has shot down 11 Finnish planes and denied foreign reports that 10 Soviet planes had been shot down and 32 Soviet tanks destroyed, terming the reports as "malicious fabrications."

It admitted that two Soviet tanks had been shot down and that two others had failed to return, but "not one single tank has been captured."

Finnish Claim Further Successes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Domel).—An official Finnish war communique claims that 2,000 Soviet troops have been killed in engagements with Finns in the Karelian Isthmus during the past three days.

Sixty-four Soviet planes have been shot down and 34 Soviet tanks have been destroyed.

Finnish forces launched a decisive counter-attack on the Soviet forces at the Mannerheim lines in the southern sector to-day. Six Soviet tanks were shot down, while two companies of Soviet troops were wiped out. Two field-guns and eight machine-guns were captured.

Finnish aircraft attacked the Soviet air base at Murmansk and destroyed 80 Soviet grounded machines. Finnish aircraft also raided the Soviet naval base at Tallinn on the northwestern coast of Estonia. A fire was started in the port. Finnish aircraft also attacked the Soviet warships escorting transports for landings on the southern coast of Finland.

Finnish Successes

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 5 (UP).—The "Ekstrabladet" correspondent at Helsinki reports that the Finnish ski troops are achieving excellent results gliding at a fast pace over one hill and then another and with surprising speed launching sweeping attacks from the slopes on worn out groups of Soviet forces.

The Soviet soldiers having been trained on the flat Russian terrain are handicapped in the Finnish woods and mountains fighting against the Finnish peasants who are most familiar with every mountain and valley.

Soviet prisoners captured on the various fronts are very poorly equipped and many are undernourished. They say the food supply is extremely scarce and that some have not been fed for several days before their capture.

All the Soviet prisoners were long Russian coats but they are poorly clad underneath and felt boots with goloshes are worn by many.

WESTERN FRONT INCREASED ACTIVITY

German Radios Fail

BERLIN, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—There was increased activity to-day on the Western Front, according to an official German war communique.

There was local activity, says the communique, except for some "stranger enemy artillery action east of the Moselle River."

Germans Turned Back

PARIS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—To-night's French war communique revealed that the Germans made a number of raids on the western front yesterday which failed.

It is not stated where the raids took place, but it is known that the Germans have recently been busy in the Luxembourg region.

The German communique said that there was heavy French artillery activity near the Luxembourg frontier.

South Africa's Christmas Box

Donation Of £100,000

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The South African War Fund has decided to send £100,000 to Britain as a Christmas gift.

One million South African cigarettes will be sent to British troops on the Western Front, and another million to French troops as a Christmas box.

After this, one million cigarettes will be sent to the men at the front every month.

Mauritius Donation

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The people of Mauritius have donated £2,000 to the Red Cross Fund and one aeroplane to the British Government.

OSLO GROUP TO CONSIDER CRISIS

(Continued from Page 1.)

Royal Family have also made substantial contributions.

Rejects Sweden's Good Offices

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—On the ground that it does not recognise the Helsinki Government, the Soviet Government in effect has declined to agree to Sweden taking charge of Finnish interests in the Soviet Union.

Sweden's Precautions

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Important precautionary measures taken by the Swedish Government in view of the Baltic crisis include a step which has the effect of closing the Gulf of Bothnia to the Soviet Baltic fleet.

It was officially announced in Stockholm to-night that the waters between Swedish north-eastern coast and the Aaland Islands have been mined.

As Finland has mined the waters between the Aaland Islands and the Finnish coast, the Gulf is now completely closed.

In addition, Sweden has extinguished all navigational lights on the east coast of Sweden, and has ordered partial mobilisation on a scale which will bring 40,000 additional men to the colours immediately and further contingents shortly.

Swedish Waters Mined

The Defence Minister, in an official statement, said that strong reinforcements had been sent to coastal fortifications, and that several areas inside Swedish territorial areas had been mined in addition to the Aaland Island field.

Preparations had also been completed for the evacuation of the entire civilian population of Stockholm should the need arise.

Belgium Prepared

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BRUSSELS, Dec. 5 (UP).—The Belgian Premier informed the Chamber of Deputies to-day that Belgium was prepared for all eventualities.

"Our Army is well equipped and backed by first class defences. Our territory is now neither open nor accessible," he declared.

STOCK MARKETS ARE DULL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange, markets were dull and heavy owing to the absence of support.

Kaffirs were outstanding and firm. On the announcement that there were some good November profits, Internationals were also quietly steady.

Commodities advanced strongly in sympathy with Calcutta together with good spot demand.

Wall Street was irregular.

Steamer Torpedoed

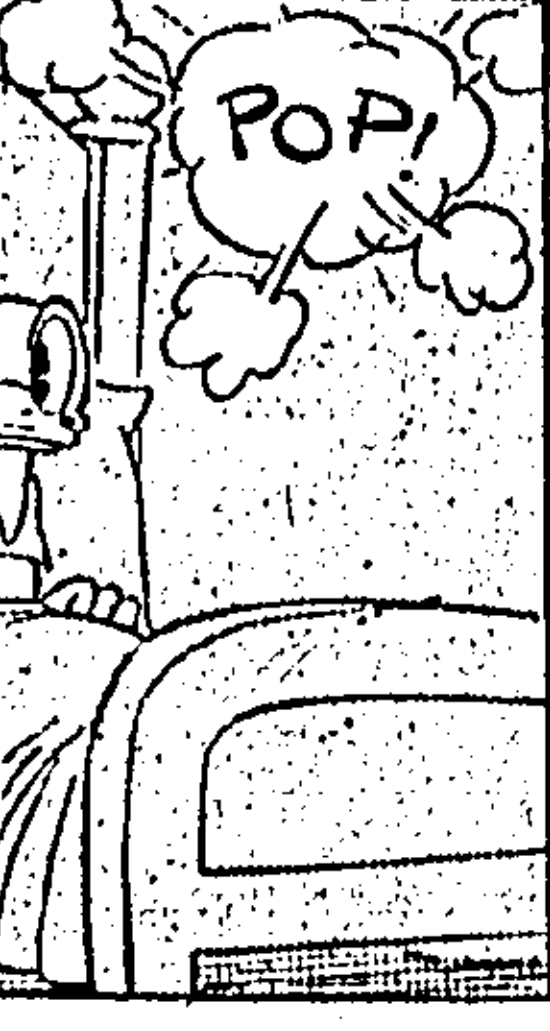
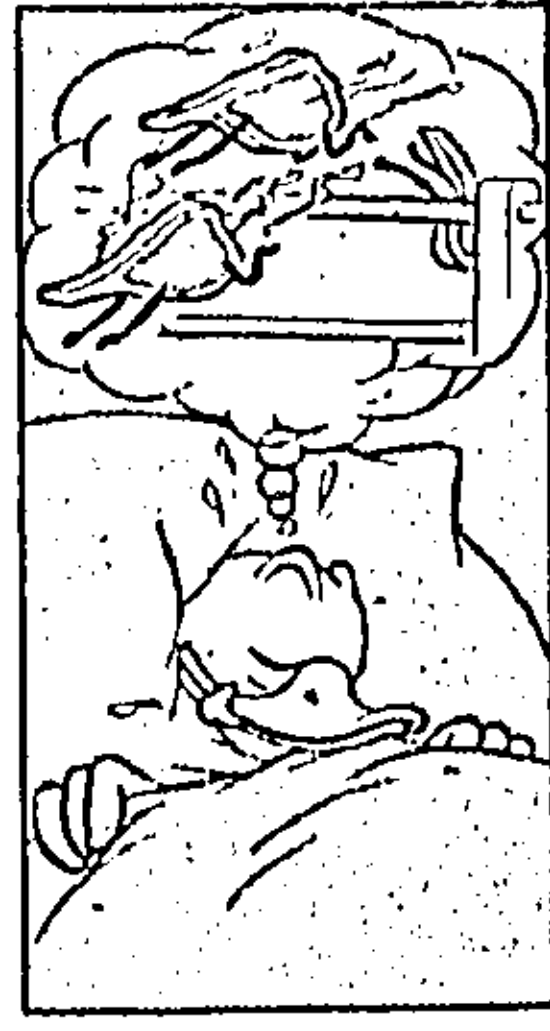
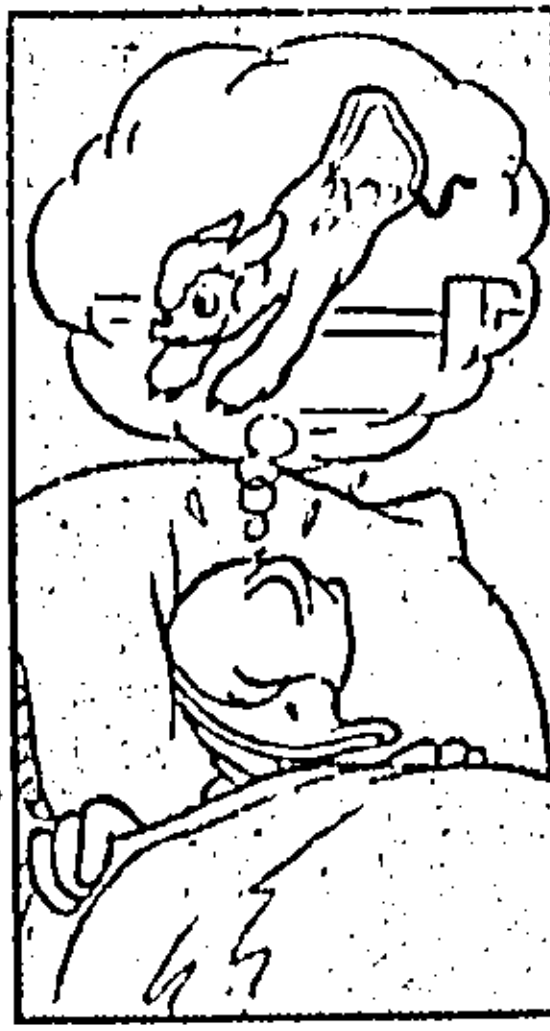
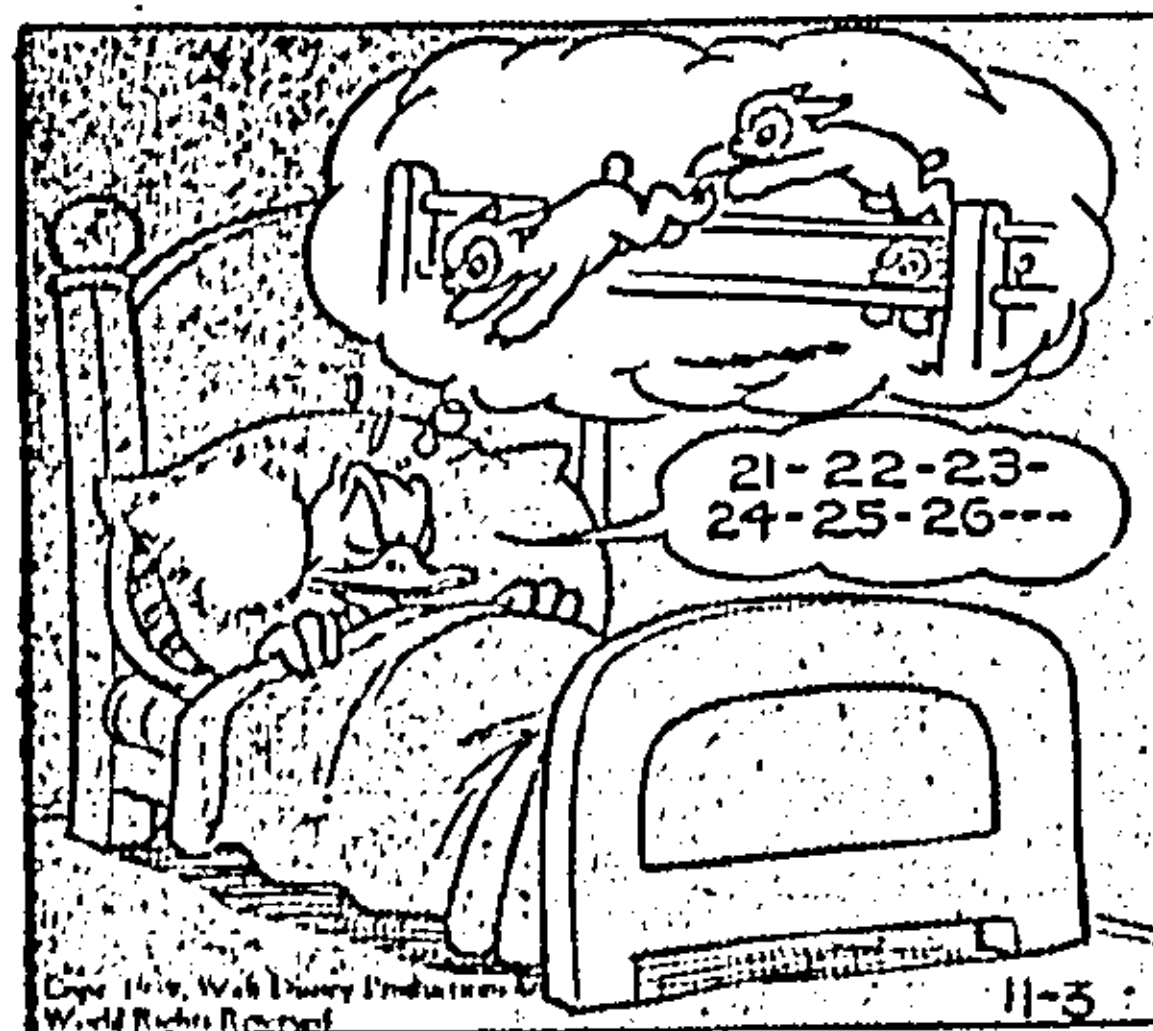
LONDON, Dec. 5 (UP).—The British steamer Forstedt, (1,670 tons), was torpedoed in the North Sea off the east coast last Monday.

Three members of the crew were killed and five are missing. A British warship picked up 13 survivors and three bodies.

It is extremely scarce and that some have not been fed for several days before their capture.

All the Soviet prisoners were long Russian coats but they are poorly clad underneath and felt boots with goloshes are worn by many.

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New Shipping Line To H.K. Possible

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5 (UP).—Mr. Joseph R. Sheehan, President of the American President Steamship Line today announced that negotiations have been opened with the President of the Panama Pacific Line, Mr. Kenneth Dawson, envisaging a joint service agreement for trans-Pacific passenger and ship trade in which four Panama Pacific inter-coastal ships will augment the President Line service through extending voyages to Manila, Hongkong and Singapore.

New Financial Sec.



HON MR. H. R. BUTTERS

MR. CAINE LEAVES

Hongkong's Loss

ON his way to take up a new appointment with the Colonial Office, Mr. Sydney Caine, who has acted as Financial Secretary in the Colony since July, 1937, left for England by Imperial Airways plane Delphinus this morning. His new post is not yet known.

Mr. Caine was appointed under a new system, being the Colony's first Financial Secretary so appointed. The old position of Colonial Treasurer was superseded by that of Financial Secretary, whose powers and scope of work are considerably larger than was the case in the days of Colonial Treasurers.

Brilliant Career

He had a brilliant career in Government Service. Born in 1902 he obtained a B.Sc. with first class honours in Economics. By competitive examination he won the position of assistant Inspector of Taxes in the Inland Revenue Department and in a similar manner won the position in 1926 of assistant principal in the Colonial Office. He has visited the West Indies and British Guiana as Secretary of the West Indies Sugar Commission.

Mr. Caine's successor is Mr. H. R. Butters, who has acted as Labour Officer since November last year.

Mr. Butters has a long 17 years in the Colony, arriving here as a Cadet in 1922. He is a Barrister-at-law having been called to Gray's Inn, and he holds the degree of M.A. He was born in 1899.

BRITISH SHIPS REQUISITIONED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—With a view to ensuring regular importation of cereals by the North Atlantic route, the Minister of Shipping today requisitioned British ships for cargo transport by the Ministry of Food.

Requisitioning may be extended to the conveyance of other essential Government cargoes.

Sir John Gilmour, the Minister of Shipping, announced these steps in the House of Commons today.

AMERICA'S No. 1 NAZI SENT TO PRISON

Judge Wallace Is Scathing

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (UP).—Fritz Kuhn, the almost mythical personality who heads the German-American Bund, faced a maximum total of 50 years in prison as a result of his conviction yesterday on charges of grand larceny and forgery.

He escaped with a sentence of from two and a half years to five years.

Kuhn, who was dressed in a dark business suit, turned pale as sentence was passed, but he kept his shoulders squared and his head erect.

The defence indicated it would seek to obtain a certificate of reasonable doubt from the Supreme Court.

This, if granted, would permit an appeal and would obtain Kuhn's release from the Tombs on bail.

"I am sending Kuhn to prison not because he is a rabble-rouser or hate-dispenser, but because he is an ordinary small-time forger and thief," Judge Wallace scathingly said.

Judge Wallace recommended that the District Attorney, Mr. Thos. E. Dewey, institute Grand Jury action against Bund witnesses for perjury.

"The court testimony of these people has been at great variance with the testimony they gave before the Grand Jury," he said.

Kuhn was accused of stealing US\$14,548.59 in Bund funds.

He was arrested in Pennsylvania as the District Attorney's office alleged, he was attempting to flee from the country.

"The German-American Bund, an American Nazi organization, both refutes any criticism that its members are un-American. The Bund formally describes itself as a 'millitant organization of patriotic Americans.'"

Kuhn's Rise To Power was a triumph of organizing ability. He is 43 years old and went to the United States from Germany in 1925, when he obtained a position as an expert chemist with the Ford Motor Company.

He became a naturalized American in 1934.

During the trial, Kuhn was described by the District Attorney as a Leuthario who constantly attracted a succession of feminine admirers. His wife is reported to be living apart from him.

Indicted On 12 Counts

He was indicted by a Grand Jury on twelve counts. In addition to disclosing embezzlement of Bund funds, the indictment alleged that Kuhn used part of his ill-gotten gains to transfer Mrs. Florence Camp, a blonde divorcee, from Los Angeles, New York and then to Cleveland.

Because Kuhn failed to give his complete record to the Naturalization Bureau, his naturalization was cancelled. He also concealed a four-months prison sentence which he underwent in Germany.



FRITZ KUHN, AMERICA'S NO. 1 NAZI

Gandhi Sends A Message To The British People

LONDON, Dec. 5, (UP).—The Mahatma Gandhi has sent a message to the "News Chronicle" saying: "The declaration of British policy regarding India is purely a moral issue, for the freedom loving Indian has neither the will nor the capacity for armed revolution. Nevertheless, it is her right to know Great Britain's will about her."

"We are even aware that Great Britain can impress men and money from India and treat her as a dependency but she cannot get the moral weight. That would only come from an India conscious of her freedom."

"I am anxious, as a friend of Great Britain, that she should come out victorious; not because of her superiority in the use of arms, but because of her will to be just all along the line. She will then have the true friendship and sympathy of millions of people all over the world who have become sick of the wanton waste of precious lives."

Herewith Navicerts will also be issued in respect of shipments from Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay to Iceland, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Belgium and Italy.

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Application forms are available at His Majesty's Embassies at Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires, H. M. Legation at Montevideo and H. M. Consulates in Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay, and should be returned to them when completed.

Royal Christmas Cards For B.E.F.

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Their Majesties the King and Queen are sending Royal Christmas cards to all members of the Army and R.A.F. serving in France.

CLIPPER IS DELAYED

Delayed at Guam, where it arrived last Tuesday, the big Boeing Clipper with several passengers for Hongkong, is still held up by bad weather. It is not expected to arrive here until Saturday and may possibly arrive later.

The recent severe typhoon, which caused havoc in Manila has upset the Clipper's schedule.

Among the passengers for Hongkong from San Francisco are four Indians returning from a visit to the United States.

The next Imperial Airways plane with Home mails is delayed and is not expected until Saturday.

FILM FAVOURITES ON HIS MASTER'S VOICE

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Farewell to Dreams Jeanette MacDonald & Nelson Eddy
B8320—Italian Street Song Jeanette MacDonald
Ah Sweet Mystery of Life.
DA1404—Rose Marie Nelson Eddy
Song of the Mounties. Selection
BD561—Girl of the Golden West. Selection
Paramount Orch. with Al Bollington, Organ
BD461—Firefly. Selection
Louis Levy & Orch.
BD480—My Campfire Dreams Bobbie Green
Make A Wish.
B8724—The One I Love Allen Jones
Costanza.

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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

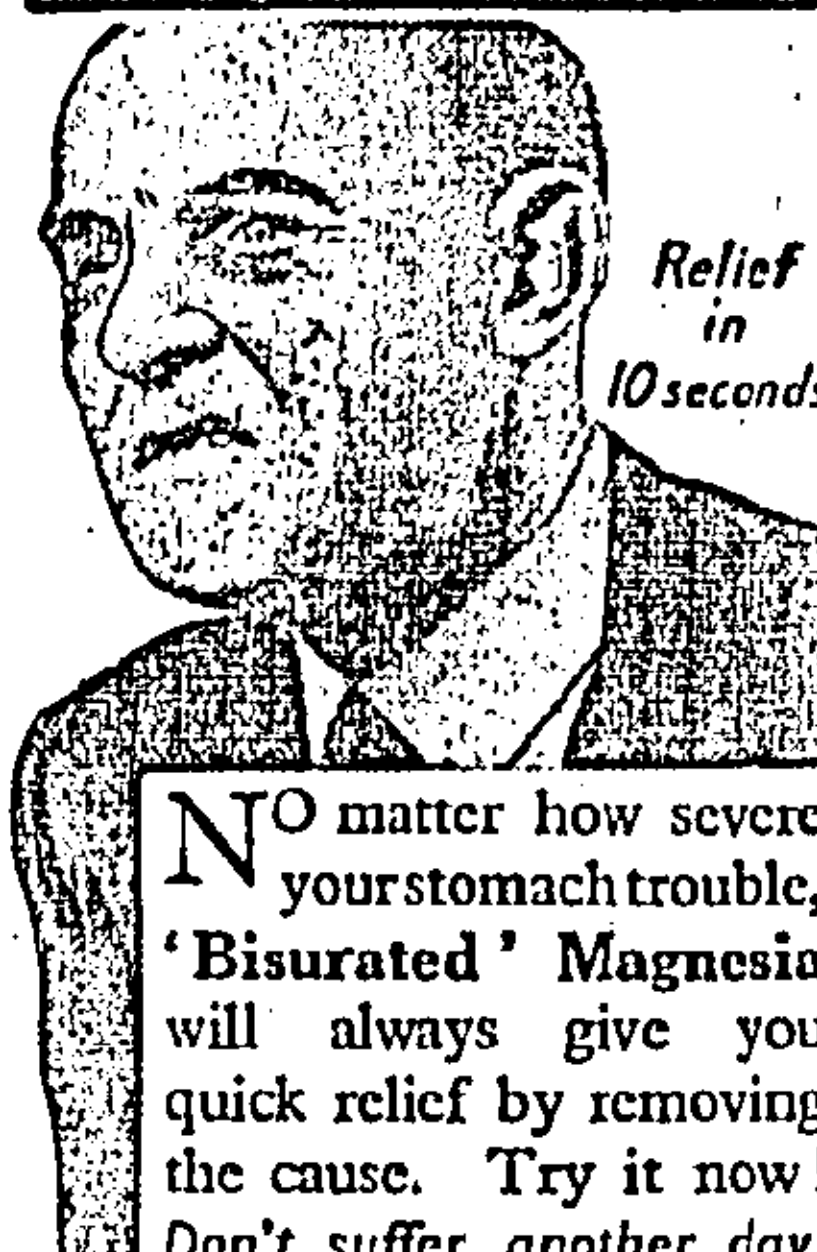
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PHOTOGRAPHS MAKE FINE EXHIBITION

REVEALING a standard of work comparable with similar exhibitions in other parts of the world, the first annual exhibition of the Photographic Society of Hongkong opened in the Peacock Room, Cafe Wiseman, this morning.

The exhibition, which has 100 selected photographs tastefully hung will close on Saturday and is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Society was formed for the advancement and encouragement of photography and it must be gratifying to the Committee to find such a splendid response revealing that pictorial photography in China has attained such a high standard.

Entries were invited from all over China and most of China's best photographers are represented, both amateur and professional.

No Prizes Offered

No prizes of any kind have been offered, all the prints being sub-

mitted for purely artistic reasons, but a selection of 50 has been made to be sent to the Royal Photographic Society, London. This selection will later be sent in portfolio form to various camera clubs.

The Committee points out that the 50 pictures selected were chosen on account of their Chinese atmosphere. They do not necessarily represent the best of the exhibition, but for showing abroad are more original.

The Society's committees is as follows: President, W. C. Clark, Vice-president, K. A. Watson, Hon. Secretary, H. A. McKay, Hon. Treasurer, Capt. R. L. Berlegh, Hon. Librarian, E. W. Fyolting and A. M. Mole and Dr. A. V. Greaves.

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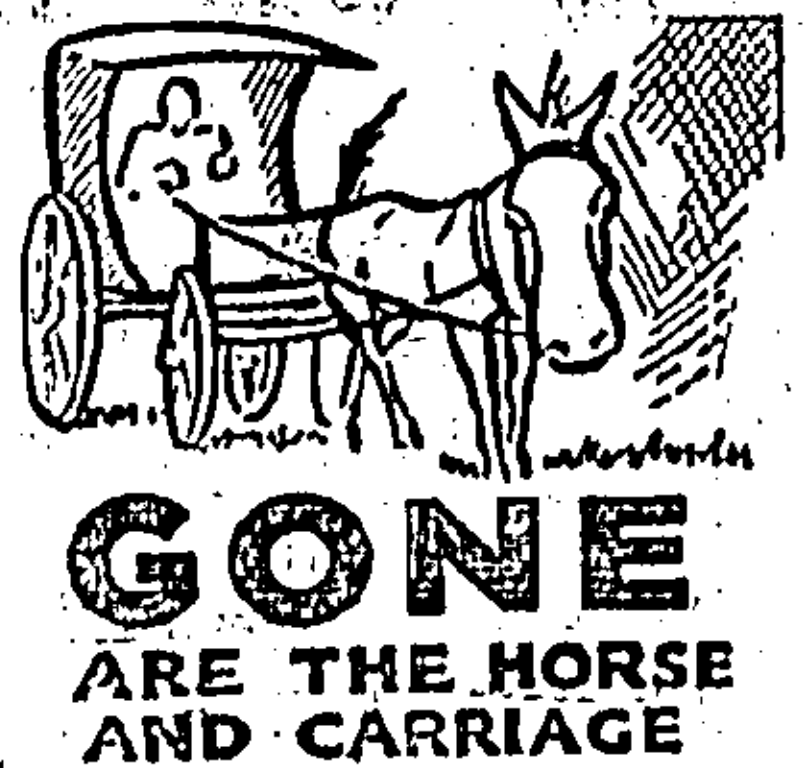
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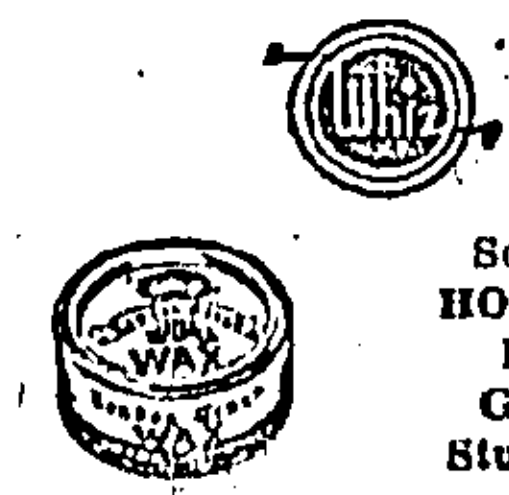
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FERGUSON.—At 15, Melkewood
Avenue, Prestwick, Ayrshire, on
November 24, 1939, John
Ferguson, beloved husband of
Elizabeth Anderson. Late of
Greenock and Quarry Bay,
Hongkong.

BIRTH

WILLIAMS. To Zoe, wife of H. G.
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Hongkong, on December 6, 1939,
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Democracy At War

NO country, however democratic,
can enter upon a great war without
suffering a loss of freedom. When
Britain took up the challenge of
Hitler, Parliament and people did so with the full know-
ledge that war meant discipline and
control, and submission to orders.
Since the strength of a nation at war
is not merely that of its armed
forces, but depends upon the sum-
total of the efforts of all the people
in every sphere of life, it follows
that the whole nation must submit
itself to authority.

This is acutely felt in time of war.
All men of a certain age are liable
to military conscription. All indus-
trialists, shipowners or railway
owners must be prepared to put
their factories, ships or railways at
the disposal of the State. A man's
house may be commandeered or
have troops or civilians billeted in
it. Shops are controlled, food may
be rationed, light is restricted. At
any time a Government department
may issue an order imposing ir-
ksome restrictions upon the conduct
of private citizens.

Such regimentation of the people of
Britain were prepared for. It was
the price to be paid for the waging
of war. All they ask is that the
orders shall be wisely made, and
that they should really be conducive
to efficiency in running the vast
machinery of a nation at war. Armies
of officials are necessarily formed,
and they have great powers, but
while the wise use of these powers
makes for victory, the unwise use
is a hindrance.

Government acts, of course,
through various departments. One
is concerned with the training of
men for the army; another with the
provision of skilled men for the
war factories; another with the
provision of food; another with
taxation; another with the release
and censoring of news. It may often
happen that what appears helpful
to one department will be an im-
pediment to another. All the
delicate balances which develop
under the natural ebb and flow of
freedom are likely to be thrown out
when an entirely different organiza-
tion is artificially formed. There is
needed calculated co-ordination not
only in each department of State,
but between the departments; and
this indicates a skilled thinking
organ.

But some of the considerations
which make an intrusive "brain
trust" objectionable in peace time
are arguments on the other side in
war time. In view of the muddle
that follows lack of direction, that
distracted, English, economist,
Sir William Beveridge, is urging the
necessity not only of a control
board for every important industry,
but a central body of men trained
in co-ordinating all departments.



WILL THE LIGHT PENETRATE?

How good is Germany's war material?

THE German army goes to
war with equipment that
has a number of weak
points. In general, the
material from which its
weapons and machines is made
is poor. The designs are usually
excellent, but many have one
considerable defect: they have
been developed too quickly,
and have not had enough seri-
ous testing before large-scale
production was begun.

The material is poor mainly
because it includes so many sub-
stitutes. The steel has too large
a proportion of cheap scrap iron
in it, and too large a proportion
of low-grade "home-grown"
iron ore.

The synthetic rubber, called
"Buna," rubber, may be of service
for some jobs, but does not stand
up to war conditions. In particu-
lar it is not good enough for the
tracks of tanks and tractors.

The Germans, in their civilian
life, have a great love for extreme
tidiness and regularity. Their
roads are very smooth; on their
aerodromes each grass-blade seems
to be combed to stand to atten-
tion in exact line with the next
grass-blade. And all their indus-
try producing for home sales, for
years, has been geared to produce
fragile, lightweight goods that
work quite nicely if treated with
care.

Their industries producing for
export have specialised in cheap
things that do not last.

We have a great advantage over
them there. Sometimes go-ahead
people are inclined to laugh at the

British habit of making things
to last "for ever." In a world of
changing fashions and many in-
ventions, it is not always
economical to make things that
will be out of date before they are
worn out in normal civilian use.

But this is of great value in war.
War consists of a continual series
of crashes. Our vehicles, aero-
planes, etc., are not crash-proof,
but they will stand much heavier
bashing about than those of the
Germans. Our machines and gad-
gets are not fool-proof, but you do
not have to handle them as if they
were made of tissue-paper.

When the artificial rubber pads
on the tracks of a German tank
tear or wear out, the steel is not
good enough to stand the extra
hammering of hard work on the
road.

That is why the German
mechanised divisions made such a
poor show when advancing un-
opposed on Vienna in the spring of
last year. A number of witnesses,
including Americans, British and
Austrians, have testified that
several roads were blocked by
broken-down vehicles.

One eyewitness wrote in the
Nation of Belgium:

"There, in brilliant weather
without snow or rain, stood
broken-down German lorries,
tanks and artillery tractors, in
long lines on the Austrian roads, in
pitiful immobility. One division
lost no fewer than 45 heavy
tractors out of 400."

The German tanks that saw
action in the Spanish war ap-
peared to "fade out" after a few

days of fighting, because of the
number of breakdowns.

They also seemed to competent
observers to be too lightly armed.
Perhaps because of experience
gained in Spain a new tank of
about 25 tons has been developed
in Germany, mounting a field-gun
of about 3 inches and a smaller
gun of 37mm., besides machine-
guns.

This machine was first shown
when a parade was held in Berlin
to impress Prince Paul of Yugo-
slavia in June of this year. From
the photographs one would judge
that the Germans have now gone
to the other extreme, and put into
this medium-weight tank a heavier
armament than can be used
efficiently from such a gun-plat-
form.

The German heavy artillery is
mainly of new design, and little
can be said of it until it has proved
or disproved itself in action.

At another recent Berlin parade
there was much comment on a new
type of heavy gun, said to have a
range of 20 miles, which was towed
past the saluting base by tractors.
It appeared to be 45 feet long and
of 10 inch calibre.

This gun is towed in five sec-
tions: the gun-carriage, the
cradle, the recoil and recuperator-
gear, various bits and pieces, and
last the gun-barrel itself.

The idea of splitting it up into
these five components is to make
it mobile. Heavy guns of this sort
are usually moved with consider-
able difficulty and very slowly.

But what will happen if one of
the tractors breaks down? What
will be the use of this contraption
if four parts get to the position but

the fifth is stuck somewhere miles
behind?

One thing you soon learn, the or-
dinary business of war, is to keep
things together in one piece as
much as possible. Odd detachable
gadgets get lost.

Another question is whether
these guns, which roll along
merrily on good German roads,
may not get badly bogged in Polish
mud. In Ludendorff's memoirs
there is a complaint that the Ger-
man transport vehicles of 1915
were too heavy for the Polish
front: he had to extemporize
transport, using the local light
peasant carts, which the Germans
called "Panje" carts.

Yet the German transport of
1915 mainly consisted of solid
four-wheeled wooden carts—much
lighter than the motor vehicles
they are now relying on for a con-
siderable part of their road work.
What will the dirt roads in the
westfields be like, when rain
comes and tractor columns have
ploughed them up?

When these questions were asked
of German officers in the past
they answered that they would win
their war in a few weeks, during
the first season. They talked of a
lightning war, *Blitzkrieg*.

The trouble with lightning is
that you never know whom or
where it will hit. It is not the sort
of stuff sane men rely on. The
Germans may find it burns their
fingers, and more than their
fingers, if they have relied on this
"lightning" when designing their
heavy artillery and the transport
for it.

Their field artillery is still
mainly horse-drawn. So is about
80 per cent. of their first-line in-
fantry transport.

The reason for this is doubtless
their shortage of motor vehicles,
and probable shortage of petrol in
war.

Sam Just Won't Leave The Army

A PROBLEM of patriotism, a
problem in peace and war, is the
British Army's oldest drummer,
Acting-Sergeant Sam Thomp-
son, of Framlingham, Suffolk.

He REFUSES to leave the Army.
"We don't want to lose you, Sam,
but we think you ought to go. You've
already passed the age limit," they
said.

Quartermaster-Sergeant Thomp-
son, as he was then, looked up the
regulations. Then he smiled up
again as a drummer.

"Now I can serve for another five
years," he announced. And the
authorities discovered that he
could.

Now Drummer (Acting-Sergeant)
Sam Thompson, aged fifty-four, pride
of the 4th Suffolk, and holder of
seven campaigner's medals, has
volunteered for active service "for
the duration."

"I said I was 'out there' last time,
and I'm still as fit as a fiddle," Sam
told the *Sunday Telegraph* yesterday.
"Just let them try to leave me be-
hind—that's all."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Past—any special discount to the spy trade?"

Having Europe's best railway
system, the Germans have ne-
glected industrial road transport,
compared with other nations.
until quite recently.

They have not got the immense
reserves of light and medium
weight lorries possessed by Eng-
land and France, or the factories
to make them.

But the retention of horse-
drawn transport and guns will tell
heavily against their army. Horses
and motors do not mix well. Horses
move so slowly that lorries caught
behind them have to run in low
gear. Overheating and other
troubles follow.

And horse transport is an ex-
cellent target for air attack.
Horses cannot lie down when har-
assed. They panic. If a lorry is
hit, you tip it off the road and
other lorries do not get scared and
bolt. But horses do; and there is
no mess more heartbreaking than
a few gun-teams well mixed and
kicking, with a horse or two dead
and a limber in the ditch.

There is too much "errata," too
many ingenious ways of "making
do," about the German Army's war
gear. When the strain comes
that will tell.

AS THEY SEE IT ABROAD

Britain's Great War Outlay



What? No Turkey?
—[Hartford Courant]

LAST BRITONS LEAVE CAPITAL

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The departure of the last Britons from Helsingfors was arranged in the early hours of to-day by the British Legation, writes "Reuter's" special correspondent.

The correspondent goes on to say: "I and the British-born manager of the local tobacco factory were the only Britons sleeping in the heart of the city."

Secret Hide-Out

"We were awakened at 3.30 a.m. by telephone and instructed to present ourselves immediately at the Legation for a trip to a secret hide-out with other Britons, who had spent the night in the outskirts of the city. The spirit and place of the young Finns to whom I talked before departure was amazing. 'Our men are just playing with the Russians, who are losing tanks by the dozens,' declared one."

CHUNGKING CRITICISM

Alleged British Decision

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Chinese circles criticise the alleged British decision not to seize German arms exports to Japan.

In a strongly-worded article this morning, the influential "Ta Kung Pao" declares:

"We cannot understand the alleged British decision not to seize German arms exports to Japan."

"We are all neutral in the European war."

"Why, therefore, grant special privileges to Japan?"

"That is an injustice."

"That arms exports are especially mentioned is particularly strange."

"The reason why Japan is importing arms from Germany is to wage a war of aggression in China, and Britain is alleged to have particularly excluded such German exports to Japan from seizure."

"We have no other explanation except that Britain is deliberately making matters difficult for China, and we must express our profound regrets."

23 HOURS IN AN OPEN BOAT

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—After 23 hours in an open boat the captain and five members of the crew of the British steamer Rudolf were landed by a trawler at a Scottish port. The steamer carried a crew of 23, of whom nine are presumed to be lost.

ENVOY FLIES BY CLIPPER

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The United States Ambassador in London, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, who is on his way home on leave, left Lisbon to-day by a Clipper flying boat.

PLANE OUTPUT DOUBLED

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Arthur Greenwood moved an amendment in an address regretting the absence of proposals for organising to the full our human and material resources for an effective prosecution of the war; provision and maintenance of an adequate standard of life for all, and for a solution on a basis of social justice of the problems which will arise on the return of peace.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Lord Privy Seal, in his reply, reviewed Britain's industrial efforts after three months of war, and said that the value of the contracts placed for munitions and equipment since the beginning of the war was £195,000,000, and in a single week, November 21 to 28, £12,000,000.

Many New Factories

The number of Ordnance factories in production numbered 13, while 10 others were at various stages of completion.

Twenty-three private factories known as agency factories, had been built or were being built.

With regard to tanks and transport, the production rate for wheeled vehicles for January, 1940, was ten times that for January, 1939.

Since the beginning of the war, the Government had undertaken a programme which would result in doubling the amount of aircraft production.

We were greatly expanding our aircraft war effort and our previous programme of building a million tons of new merchant shipping.

Referring to the unemployment, Sir Samuel Hoare was of the opinion that in the early months of 1940, work would be looking for man, and not man for work.

Ammunition Production Is Doubled

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the production of ammunition of all sorts has doubled during the past six months.

This new output will be doubled in the next six months.

The number of Government factories had increased six-fold in the past two years, and next year the increase will be eight times the original number.

Commercial expansion so far is less rapid, but next year the number may exceed the Government factories.

A Pandora's Box

It Costs Coolie A \$10 Fine

That he had found the pistol and had been tempted to sell it was what Leung Shu-wah, 38, coolie, said at Kowloon Magistrate's court after he had admitted to Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen, Magistrate, possession of arms and ammunition.

Inspector A. E. Carey said on November 22, the master of the Kin Lee Timber yard in Kowloon had given instructions for defendant and another coolie to break up a box that had been in the yard for eight months. When the box was broken defendant found two mauler pistols and rounds of ammunition and eventually these were taken to the Shamshuipo Police Station.

Two or three days of information was received that defendant was trying to dispose of a luger pistol and some ammunition for \$50. He was arrested yesterday morning and the pistol was found concealed in a hole dug in the yard of the Kin Lee Timber yard.

Defendant was fined \$10 or two weeks' hard labour.

Confidence Man Works Trick

Induced by a man to hand over \$40 and her gold finger ring, worth \$20, a security while she changed a bundle alleged to contain banknotes for him, Lee Man-hong, a 28-year-old woman, of Yee Kuk Street, found the parcel contained worthless newspapers.

Returning to the spot where she had left the man, she found him gone. A report of "trick" has been made to the Police.

PIGEONS STOLEN

The theft of two white pigeons from the coop in her home, 209 Stewart Terrace, on Monday, has been reported to the Police by Mrs. S. A. Sleep.

"America Must Not Be Drawn Into War"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHICAGO, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the American Secretary of State, in a speech at the annual meeting of the Farm Bureau Federation, declared:

"America must not be drawn into the war, but even though it remains at peace we cannot insulate ourselves from the economic and other effects of a major war."

"Already we have begun to feel the impacts of this conflict."

Looking towards the end of hostilities, Mr. Hull said that in the difficult days ahead, the greatest of all issues would be whether or not the world would be reconstructed along the lines of economic security and firmly established order, which would make unthinkable a repetition of the conditions of international lawlessness and economic chaos of recent years.

In resolving this issue, the weight of America's influence may well prove decisive.

"If we abandoned our present trade policy under pressure of the narrow, short-sighted attitudes on the part of some of our people, we would render infinitely more difficult the process of building an orderly and prosperous world, and thus inflict incalculable injury to ourselves," he concluded.

THE KING WITH HIS ARMIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WITH THE BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE IN FRANCE, Dec. 5 (UP).—His Majesty King George VI is now with his troops on the Western Front.

FACTORY MANAGERS FINED

Working Women Over Hours

The manager of the Hongkong Rubber Manufacturing Co., Ltd., was fined \$75 by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistrate's court to-day for allowing 54 women to be employed in an industrial undertaking at his premises on November 20 at 9.45 p.m.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson represented defendant and Mr. D. W. Phillips, Factory Inspector, prosecuted.

Mr. Phillips said complaints had been received from the Police concerning noise and presence of women working at night. He visited the defendant firm at 9.45 p.m. on November 20 and found 54 women working.

Mr. Phillips said that was correct. Defendant firm employed quite a large number of workers, about 1,800 women. Defendants had had a most urgent order and he would like to put out that they were at the shipping times on account of the shipping at night. They did not know when ships left and sometimes loads had to be taken off steamers after they had been placed there.

In this particular case, continued Mr. Hodgson an argument was made that the 54 women were employed. No doubt they should not have done it, but now they have made other arrangements for urgent work and the matter would not occur again. This was more of a case of urgency and necessity.

Mr. Phillips said he was inclined to think that the matter was due to the carelessness on the part of the manager. They were fully conversant with the bye-laws.

According to the police information defendants had been doing the same thing for some nights. The firm was in the Matukok area, a bad one for such offences.

Fining defendants \$75, Mr. Macfadyen said he still considered that as reasonable because of the number of these cases.

Similar Offences

The manager of the Wo Ping Knitting Company of Shek Kip Mei Street was fined \$50 for a similar offence. There were 12 women working on his premises at 9.40 p.m. on November 20.

The manager of Kelly Bros. Knitting Company of Cheung Sha Wan Road was also fined \$50. Twenty-eight women and a young girl were found working at the Company at 10.50 p.m. on November 20.

The manager of the Shing Young Shirt Company of Nan Chang Street was fined \$75. Mr. Phillips pointed out that on November 8 defendant had been fined \$50 for a similar offence. On November 20 his premises were visited at 11 p.m., and 12 women and three young girls were found working.

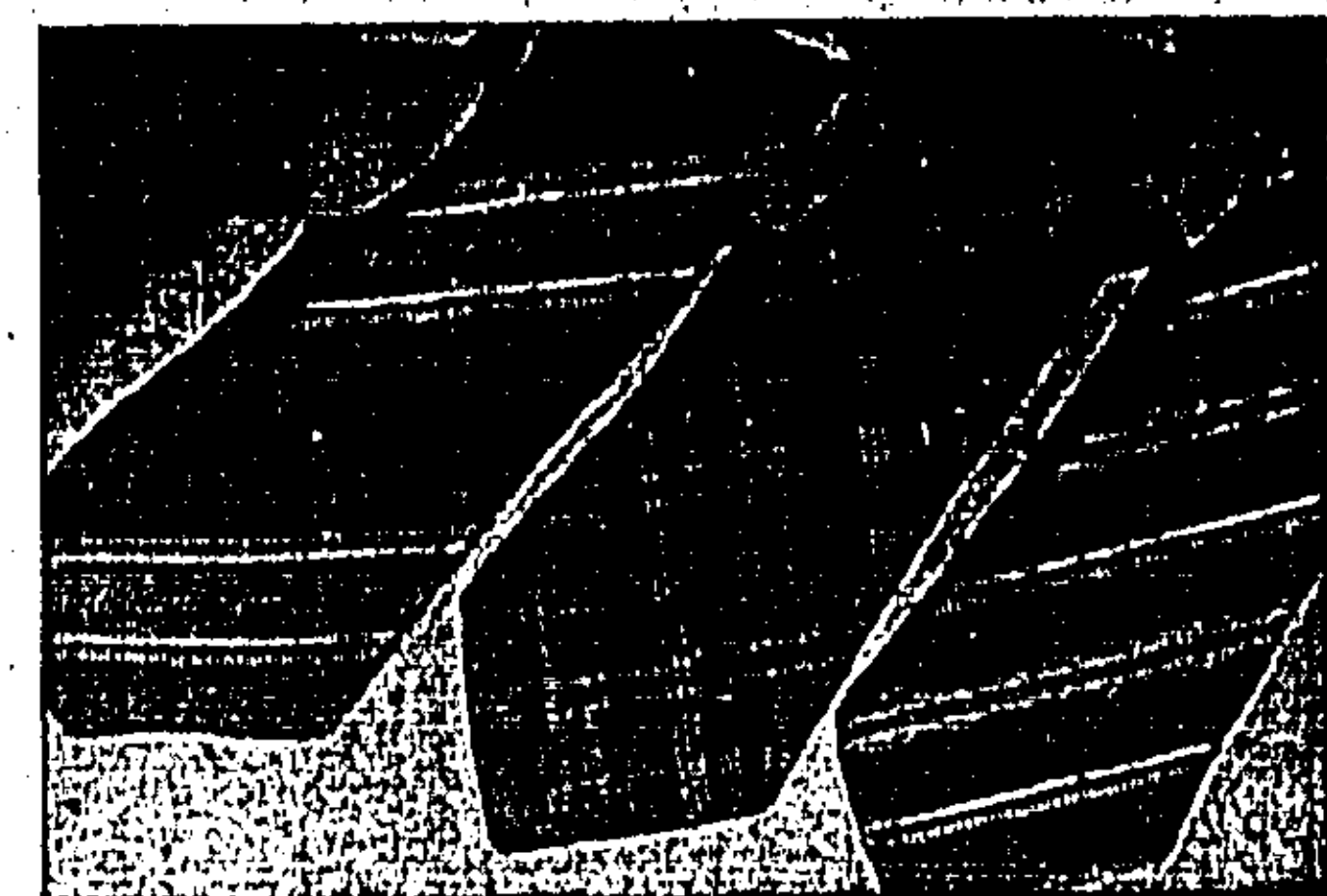
EXECUTIONS IN THAILAND

SINGAPORE, Dec. 5 (UP).—It is reported from Bangkok that eighteen people have been executed following their conviction for plotting to overthrow the Government of Thailand (Siam) in November.

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Grand National of 1940 will be run at Aintree.

Dominions Pilots Get New Planes

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Dominion pilots in England are to fly new R.A.F. planes from the factory to the aerodrome.



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BRIGHT ARRAY OF GOLFERS

To Take Part In Manila Open Tourney

Manila, Nov. 22 (UP).—The strongest array of foreign golfers ever to invade Manila will participate in the 28th annual \$5,000 Philippine Open tournament which starts here January 5, 1940.

H. J. Belden, president of the Wack Wack Golf and Country Club, has announced that several stars from the United States, Australia and Japan have accepted invitations to participate.

Among the Americans who have signified their intention to seek golfing fame and money half-way around the world from home are "Jug" MacSpaden, holder of the 1939 Canadian Open crown, and the Zimmerman brothers, Al and Mery, of Portland, Oregon.

Heading a delegation of Australians will be Norman von Nida, who will attempt to win his third Philippine Open title in as many years. With him will be Eric Crenin, a veteran Australian professional, Jim Ferrier, holder of the Australian Open title the past two years, and Sam Richardson, former Australian Open champion.

At least 12 Japanese professionals and amateurs are expected to participate. In the last tournament the Japanese monopolized practically all the places from second to the tenth. Some of the Philippines' Number One golfing event in the Wack Wack



An exciting moment during the Final of the Subalters' Cup Felo Competition between the Royal Scots and the Fixed Defences on Monday. The former team won by six goals to three.—Mec Cheung.

Tracing The Origin Of Plus-Fours In Golf

TALK among the elders in the clubhouse swung from arms and the man to clothes and the golfer. Somebody wondered, writes Leo Munro in the *Daily Express*, what effect the war would have on golfing attire.

There was, he said, a precedent if one thought back to the 1914-18 campaigns, which, in his opinion, must be held responsible for producing those baggy nether garments known as "plus fours."

HE claimed that the guards, as uniformed in that stormy period, were the parents of plus fours—that their long trousers and short puttees gave enterprising tailors the idea for long, loose knickerbockers draped over smart stockings.

He may have been right in thinking of one style and cut. But general lines, skin to plus fours, were in fashion years and years before the first 1914.

Well, maybe not in fashion. Still, people wore them when the twentieth century was very young.

1906 "VARSITY MATCH" THE camera cannot lie. I have refreshered my memory by looking up some photographs of the 1906 "Varsity match at Hovinko."

And there, in the Oxford group, is Lord Maidstone, a wearer of plus fours. One or two of his team-mates are shown in the knee-tight knickerbockers of that era.

Lord Maidstone is unquestionably plus-foured by comparison in his check-patterned, voluminous cut attire. And I have a snapshot, which confirms the plus-four idea, of Lord Maidstone following through.

I suggest then, a much earlier beginning than 1918-19 for the "baggy breeks," which had gone out of fashion before the present year. The next return of happy days may bring a contrast—shorts for all, perhaps. I shall be surprised if there is ever a revival of formal "uniform" for golf.

GRANDFATHER'S ATTIRE

PLAYERS never really liked it. Our grandfathers, who played on more or less open courses, had to wear red coats as danger signals for the general public.

A younger generation of golfers jibbed at such "fancy dress." And, anyhow, it wasn't necessary as private courses grew in numbers, and if one player bagged another with an ill-directed shot the victim was merely a fellow-member of the club.

Knickerbockers, tight and baggy, had their use and out of fashion. Snobbishness played its part in these. All the would-be smart amateurs affected tight-kneed knickerbockers when England first felt the golf boom, away back in the naughty 'nineties.

AN AMATEUR PRIVILEGE

AN amateur privilege, mark you. Professionals in those days were expected to look like touseled working men, and, in general, not to dress very well.

But professionals gradually upset convention as their status improved. The two famous brothers, Harry and Tom Vardon, were leaders in a smart-attire movement.

One effect was knicker suits for professionals, and a decline in that fashion among amateurs, though the most distinguished of them made no change. Human nature did not alter a lot with the passing of the years. Professionals again followed the lead of the amateurs when the fancy was for plus-fours.

I don't know if it "just happened" after that, but many of the (in one sense) plus-four amateurs are now untidy-looking in sloppy trousers. So, for that matter, one many of the professionals. Which suggests that one war, at any rate, may have been settled.

Von Cramm In German Army

Baron Gottfried von Cramm, the German tennis star, is the latest of a long list of leading sportsmen who have joined the Army. Cramm, who has been living in Sweden since his release from prison last year, has returned to Germany and joined up, according to a report reaching Copenhagen.

STARTING TIMES FOR SERVICES MEET

The United Services Golf Meeting will be held to-morrow at Fanling, by kind permission of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

The Tai Po Belle will run specially from Kowloon Railway Station, leaving at 8.27 a.m., and arriving at Sheung Shui at 9 a.m., and returning at 5.41 p.m.

In connection with this meeting, a special prize will be given for the best net score returned over 39 holes by players, not otherwise prize-winners, of handicaps 19 to 24, full handicap being deducted.

OLD COURSE

9.10 a.m.	Pinkerton and Drew-Wilkinson
9.20 a.m.	Fergus and Lawrence
9.24 a.m.	Wilkinson and Colson
9.28 a.m.	Ingram and Hickman
9.32 a.m.	Heby and Tracey
9.36 a.m.	Bar and Carter
9.40 a.m.	Robertson and Webb
9.44 a.m.	Archer and Reidy
9.48 a.m.	Warwick and Brown
9.52 a.m.	Way and Whitehead
9.56 a.m.	Loch and Holmes
10.00 a.m.	Nicholson and Harvey
10.04 a.m.	Penfold and Temple
10.08 a.m.	Clles and Marriott
10.12 a.m.	Chatterley and Newton
10.16 a.m.	Page and Barclay
10.20 a.m.	Tevensham and Frederick
10.24 a.m.	Burn and Gilbertson
10.28 a.m.	McLeod and Collin
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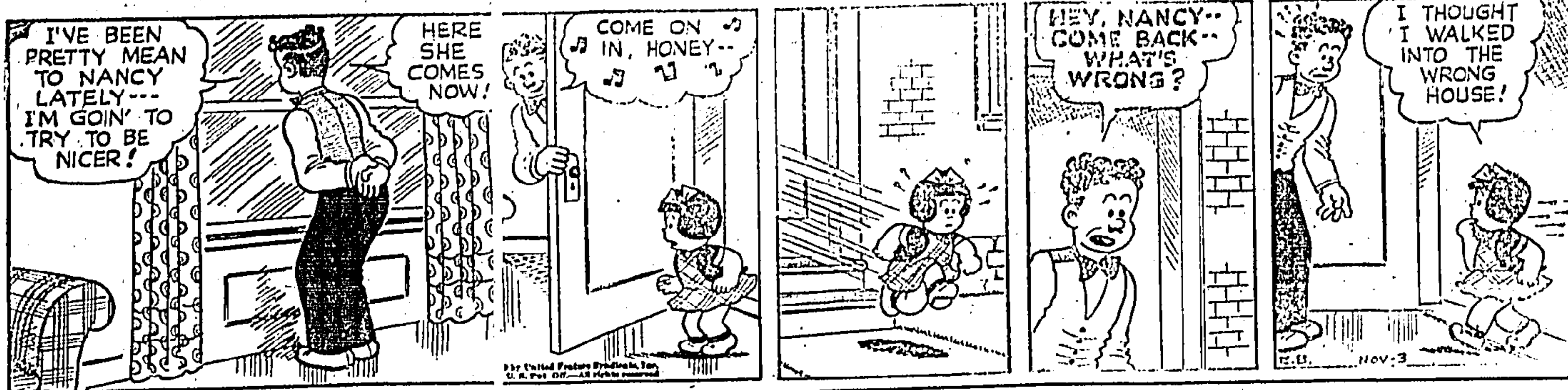
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GOLF CLUB DRAWS

The draw of the match play stages of the Captain's Cup of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club resulted as follows:

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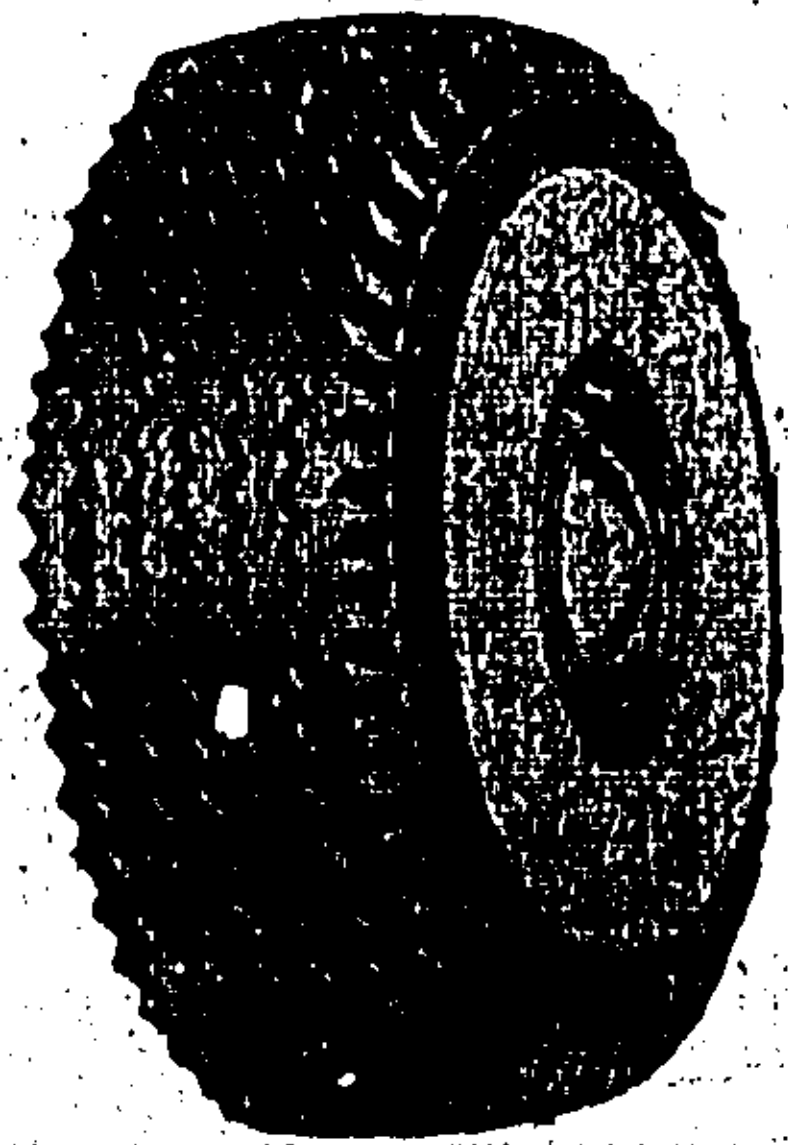
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TIN QUOTA QUERIED

Anomalies Revealed
In Commons

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The tin quota was the subject of questions in the House of Commons to-day by Mr. Stokes, who asked whether the President of the Board of Trade was aware that the United States' demand for tin equals the maximum unrestricted production of British Malaya; and whether—under the International Control Agreement, any signatory may apply for permission to increase production beyond the agreed quota—the President would say why this application was not made in view of the representations by United States' consumers?

Mr. Stokes further asked whether with a view to benefiting British industry and the dollar exchange position if the President of the Board of Trade would consider removing the restriction on production and controlling the price so that it would assume its normal level.

Mr. Stokes also asked whether the Dutch were consulted before the maximum price limit was fixed for all tin smelted in the United Kingdom and Malaya.

Government's Reply

Mr. Malcolm Macdonald replied and said that he was satisfied that the International Tin Committee was doing what was necessary to meet the market's real requirements.

It could not be in the interests of Colonial dependencies and producers to take the action advocated.

No such requests had been made by the Malayan and Nigerian Governments.

The question of price control was under Government's constant consideration.

The Dutch representatives on the International Tin Committee had been kept informed before the maximum price limit was fixed for all tin smelted in the United Kingdom and Malaya.

Supplementary Questions

Mr. Stokes asked if the Minister considered it advantageous that tin should be sold at £238 a ton fixed from Malaya, bought by foreign intermediaries and resold to the United States for £250.

Mr. Macdonald replied that this was a matter under constant consideration.

It was never intended that the fixing of prices should necessarily be permanent.

Mr. Stokes: Do you propose to do anything about it?

Mr. Macdonald said it would be foolish to announce any intention beforehand.

Fixed Prices Criticised

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Stokes asked Sir John Simon why advantage had not been taken of the high tin price ruling for some time past in the United States to obtain increased supplies of dollar currency instead of fixing the maximum sterling price limit at a figure which was low when expressed in terms of the dollar.

Mr. Macdonald, in reply, stated that soon after the outbreak of war, the Government decided as part of their general policy in preventing undue rises in the prices of essential commodities, to fix a maximum price for tin in this country, and to request the Governor of the Straits Settlements to take parallel action in that Colony.

It was never intended that these maximum prices should be maintained indefinitely without regard to the level of the prices elsewhere.

ALLIES PEACE TERMS

PLAINLY STATED BY HALIFAX

No Vengeance To Be Sought

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The essential principles of a satisfactory and lasting peace were defined by Viscount Halifax, the British Foreign Secretary, replying to a debate in the House of Lords on War Aims.

Summing up the declarations already made by the Government, the Opposition and on behalf of the Dominions and France, Lord Halifax said that we desired the people who had been deprived of their independence to recover their liberties, to redeem the peoples of Europe from constant fear of German aggression, and to safeguard our own freedom and security.

No Spirit Of Vengeance
"We do not seek aggrandisement or to redraw the map of Europe in our own interest. Still less are we moved by the spirit of vengeance," said Lord Halifax.

"On the contrary, if Germany is able to restore the confidence that she has destroyed, we aim at a settlement which will encourage her to take her rightful place in Europe, and we wish to create an international order in which all peoples will be secure under the reign of law and can determine their political and economic life free from the interference of their more powerful neighbours."

"To this end, we will be willing to give our best in co-operation with other nations, including Germany, to work a reconstruction, political and economic. For only so can we believe that an ordered international life can be preserved."

When Britain Will Lay Down Arms
Dealing with the terms on which Britain will lay down arms, Lord Halifax said that the answer was given by M. Daladier a few days ago when he said that France might have added United Kingdom—would lay down arms when she could treat with a government whose signature could be trusted.

Referring to the suggestions of an Armistice and a conference, Lord Halifax said it was of little use deluding ourselves with wishful thinking about the results to be achieved by a conference until the primary lesson was learned by those who would appreciate therein, namely, that force was a bad plan.

Lesson Not Yet Learnt
There was no evidence yet that Germany had learned that lesson.

The two prerequisites for a conference were, firstly, there should be evidence that the German Government was willing to accept terms corresponding with the purposes for which we took up arms; and, secondly, there should be a security that any settlement reached be respected.

On any other basis, a conference would achieve nothing, and would be only likely to enable the leaders of Germany to make their people believe that on the whole the method of force had not worked too badly.

The importance of showing that aggression had failed would not be achieved and the world consequently would be left in the same precarious and intolerable suspense that we had known these last years.

Profoundly Shocked
Referring to Finland, Lord Halifax said that the British people were profoundly shocked by the circumstances of the Soviet attack, and they profoundly admired the magnificent resistance of the Finns.

Referring to the Anglo-Russian negotiations, he thought that events had shown that the judgment and instinct of the British Government in refusing an agreement with the Soviet on the terms and formulas covering cases of indirect aggression on the Baltic states were right; for it was now plain that this formula might well have been a cloak for hostile designs, and he had little doubt that the people of Britain would prefer to face difficulties and embarrassments rather than feel that we had compromised the honour of Britain and the Commonwealth on such issues.

Form Anti-Nazi Organisation
JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Germans have formed an anti-Nazi organisation in Johannesburg with branches in other towns.

NUFFIELD'S GENEROSITY

£1,250,000 Central Hospital Fund

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Lord Nuffield has given a million Morris Motor shares, worth nearly £1,250,000, to create a Central Hospital Fund for the provinces.

Lord Nuffield has expressed the hope that from this fund and the King's Fund in London there will ultimately emerge a truly national hospital service.

Commons Hears Of Gift

Lord Nuffield's latest munificence was announced in the House of Commons by the Minister of Health, Mr. Walter Elliott, during the debate on social services.

He said that in a letter Lord Nuffield expressed the hope that voluntary hospitals would carry on their magnificent work, but pointed out the changes in conditions which made a central fund for the provinces essential.

"It is my hope," says Lord Nuffield, "that a truly national hospital service may be evolved."

Mr. Elliott, replying in the debate, said that the Government was devoting £50,000,000 more this year to social services than in 1931, and this at a time when Hitler was increasing the hours of labour of the working class in Germany, and Goering was telling German workers that they would have to tighten their belts and "would be all the better for it."

King With His Armies

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—The King spent eight hours to-day with his armies in France.

The sounds of cheering as His Majesty left each unit were carried across the countryside.

His Majesty lunched with General Viscount Gort, the British Commander-in-Chief, H.R.H. Major General the Duke of Gloucester, and a score of other high officials in a simple village restaurant ordinarily used as a Corporals' Mess.

Cheered By Villagers

The tour covered a wide area, concluding with a review of a battalion of Highlanders only a quarter of a mile behind the barbed wire. As the convoy, headed by the King's car flying the Royal Standard, returned at twilight to G.H.Q., little crowds of French people lined the streets, towns and villages waving their welcome.

Chancellor's Visit

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—Another British visitor to the Western Front to-day was the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon. Talking time off from his talks with the French Finance Minister Sir John saw several secret R.A.F. aerodromes.

New Strike Threat

San Francisco Water Workers Disagree

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5 (UP).—The Clerk's Union has accepted the proposal of Dr. Louis Bloch of the Maritime Labour Board, to arbitrate the Union's demand for control in hiring monthly clerks and superintendents. However, the Waterfront Employers' Association has rejected the proposal.

Mr. Harry Bridges to-day made a statement which is interpreted as threatening a coastwide strike. The unions are considering "means of halting the diversion of San Francisco commerce to other ports, especially San Pedro, and we do not see any reason why San Pedro should be kept open when San Francisco is striking on demands of the same type of contract which San Pedro enjoys," declared Mr. Bridges.

The Employers' Association said they were unable to arbitrate because the selection of clerks and supervisors constitutions would be adjourned, subject to call.

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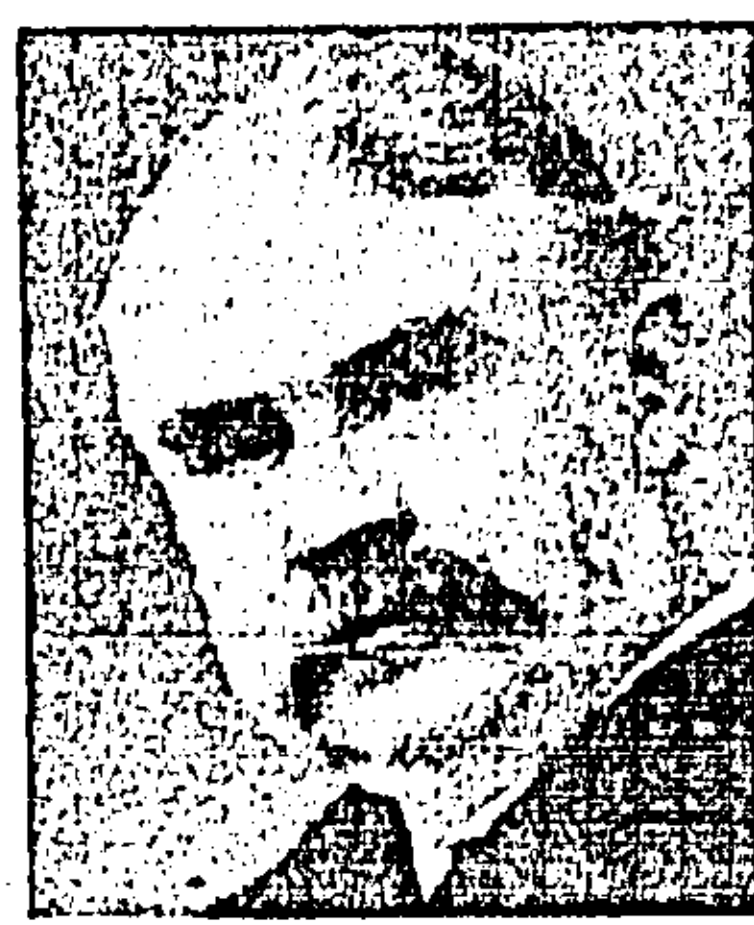
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ENTERTAINMENT PAGE

"THE MIKADO" RETURNING



GILBERT

Rathbone's Son Enlists for War

Grim reality of the European war struck home at the Basil Rathbone's when their son, Rodion Rathbone, 23, enlisted for service with the Royal Engineering Corps.

Rodion, born in London during the last war in which his father received the Military Cross for service with the British Expeditionary Force, thus becomes the first British subject in Hollywood to leave for France.

Rathbone's son is an engineer by training, having received a degree on graduation from Clifton College in England. After a brief period in a studio sound department, he recently followed his father into the acting profession.

Adopting the professional name of John Rodion, he made his debut in "Dawn Patrol." He recently finished a part in Universal's "Tower of London." In the latter film Rodion had a taste of English warfare of 500 years ago when the War of the Roses was re-created for the film.



Elan Maxwell, the famous American party-giver, makes her cinema debut in "Hotel for Women," the Cosmopolitan production for 20th Century-Fox, which will commence screening here next week.

HONGKONG Gilbert and Sullivan fans who missed the mid-night preview of "The Mikado" this summer will be pleased to learn that the film will be re-screened at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres commencing on Saturday.

The complete cast and chorus of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, most famous of all Gilbert and Sullivan troupes, whose musical forebears first produced "The Mikado" on March 14, 1885, to start runs of 672 London and 260 New York performances, are featured in the film.

Kenny Baker, radio tenor, sings the leading role to the accompaniment of the London Symphony Orchestra.

No other musical comedy can boast an audience as large as that of "The Mikado." By October, 1885, there were 117 companies playing it in every corner of the United States. By 1898 it had passed its 1000th American performance. It played for 550 weeks on Broadway.

In filming "The Mikado" care was taken to present it in the best Gilbert and Sullivan tradition. All the songs and score are presented intact.

All the comedy "business" introduced into the production by Gilbert, witliest man of his day, and handed down from year to year by the D'Oyly Cartes, are in the film.

For instance on opening night, 1885, George Grossmith in the comic role of Ko-Ko, accidentally fell at the conclusion of "The Flowers That Bloom in the Spring" song. The audience howled. Gilbert ordered the tumble to be kept in the part. It has since figured in every "Mikado" performance. Martyn Green, the funniest living Ko-Ko, does it in the present motion picture.

The costumes were designed by Marcel Vertes, world-famous painter. Geoffrey Toye, authority on Gilbert and Sullivan technique and long associated with the Covent Garden Opera Company, produced the picture and directed the music. Natalie Kalms of the Technicolor Motion Picture Corporation was in charge of the colour photography.



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King's: "Girls on Probation." Oriental: "Spy Ring." Queen's: "The Saint in London." "The Warning." Majestic: "Wife, Husband and Friend." Alhambra: "Conspiracy." "The Warning."

20th Century—Fox Visitor

MR. D. Goodman, 20th Century-Fox Far Eastern Supervisor, arrived in the Colony yesterday morning en route from Shanghai to Singapore.

Connected with 20th Century-Fox in the Far East for the past 17 years, Mr. Goodman only recently returned from a visit to America.

New Trend In British Film Production

A REPORT was recently circulating amongst British film people that their films, during the war, may be made by mobile units touring the country in vans—operating one month, say, in the North of Ireland, another in the Lake district—each unit entirely self-contained and comprehensive, travelling its own actors.

Such a plan, of course, is feasible. Odder things have happened and are happening daily. Films with a small cast and a quick schedule might conceivably be made in this way. What is more, cut free of the red tape of studio organisation, they might prove to be both virile and economic.

Conditions were very different during the last war. British studios then were generally the flimsiest affairs, often glass-roofed, like gigantic conservatories. Some of them were mere barns, hastily thrown together. The best had the solidity of the average village hall.

"NO BETTER SHELTER." To-day, there are few better air raid shelters than British film studios. One or two studios, indeed, are regarded so secure that they have been taken over for the storage of city records and Government documents.

The ground floor stage of one studio has been recognised as the official air raid shelter for a crowded area. There, at the sound of the siren, you may find the children from the local fish-and-chip shop, rubbing shoulders with a 250 a turn comedian. At another studio the voluntary fire brigade and ambulance unit has been accepted for years as the smartest and best-equipped outfit in the district. A third, which, so far, has received no official recognition from the Joint A.R.P. authorities, is equipped with underground shelters that could house more than 3,000 people comfortably in case of emergency. Planned by the studios for the benefit of its own employees, these shelters are open to any passer-by, and look like becoming the sanctuary for every householder within hurrying distance.

VAST AIR DUCTS. The studio in question was fortunate in starting life with underground ducts for air-conditioning the stages that resemble, in a small way, the labyrinth of the Paris sewers. Equipment in the ducts themselves, and slight structural alterations in the exits and entrances, have turned them into almost ideal air raid shelters.

Wooden benches line the walls. There are barrels of water, paper drinking-cups, and a supply of food. In the central hall, like a miniature Piccadilly-circus. Underground station, where the ducts join, there is a first-aid post with a nursing sister permanently in charge, shining steel cabinets of first-aid necessities, stretchers, and all sorts of surgical appliances.

Fully-trained Red Cross and St. John Ambulance helpers are stationed in every duct. There are fire-fighters and decontamination squads, men with picks, and men with long-handled shovels.

THE DRILL

At the first threat of a raid the enormous dynamism in the power-house are cut off. Every studio worker, already trained in A.R.P. drill, makes his way to his allotted duct. The fire-proof doors to the various film stages are promptly closed. A system of field telephones is manned at three key-points on the studio lot, so that emergency fire-fighting, demolition, or decontamination squads can be sent to any point at a moment's notice.

The A.R.P. organisation, which numbers something like sixty members, is entirely drawn from voluntary studio workers, who have given up their evenings during the last year to attending lectures and preparing for any such emergency.

The chief A.R.P. officer is the studio manager, the senior wardrobe and his assistant are heads of the studio police department. Other officers and trained helpers include the studio's master carpenter, the chief floor electrical engineer, the head of the construction department, the restaurant manager, the senior secretary, the chief accountant, the make-up expert, the head gardener's wife, and many of the clerical staff.

The studio itself has provided equipment, gas-proof and decontamination suits, steel helmets, and thousands of sandbags for vulnerable stations.

Incidentally, one of the oddest camouflage of the war has been in-voluntarily provided by these sand-bag shelters. When sand ran short the bags were filled with earth from the studio lots. After a few autumn nights of rain, these bags began to sprout. By next spring it is expected that grass-grown mounds will cover all the entrances to the studio shelters.

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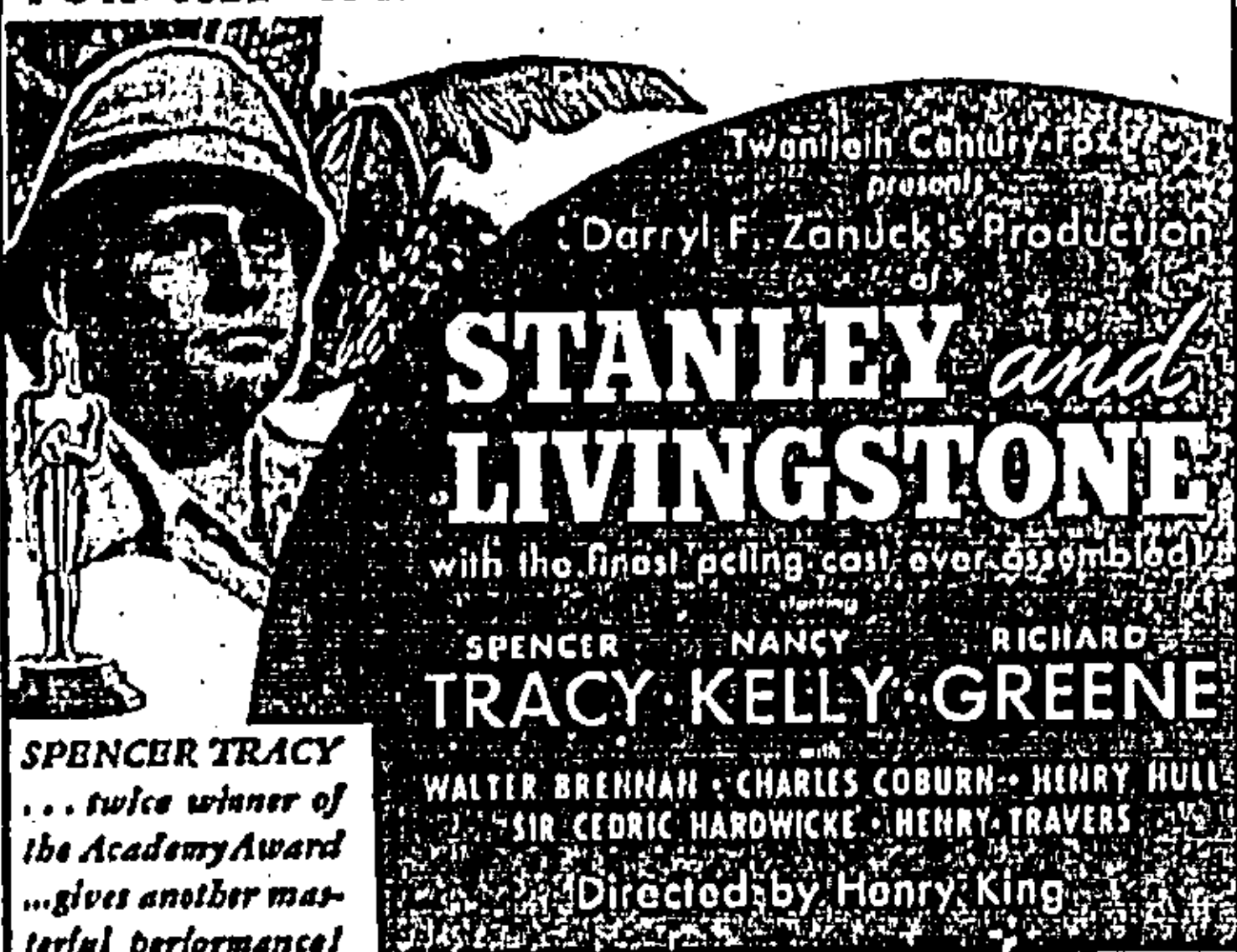
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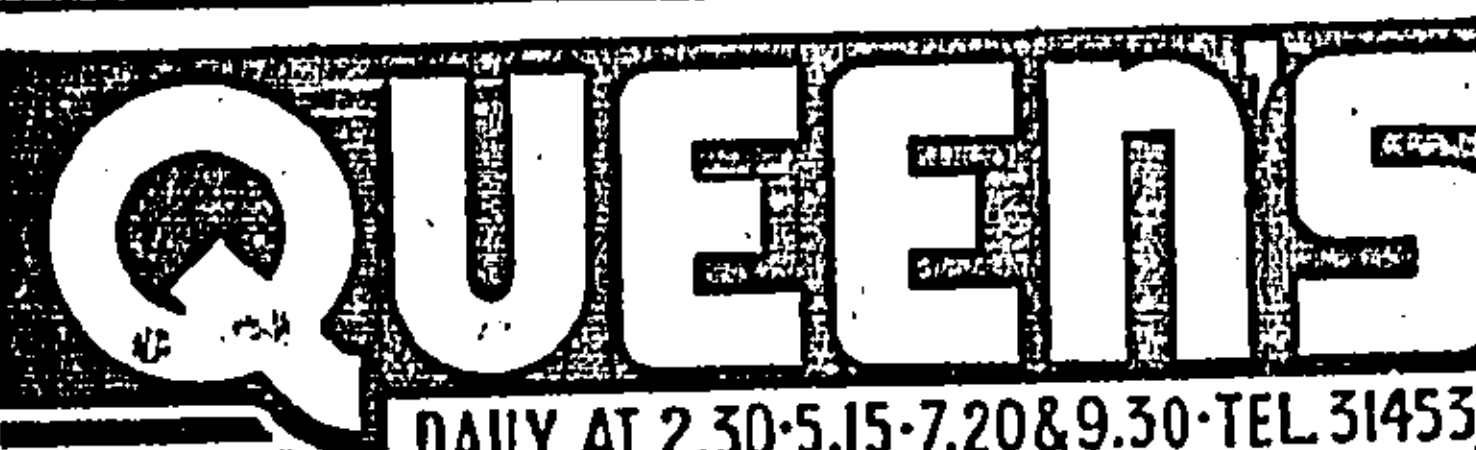
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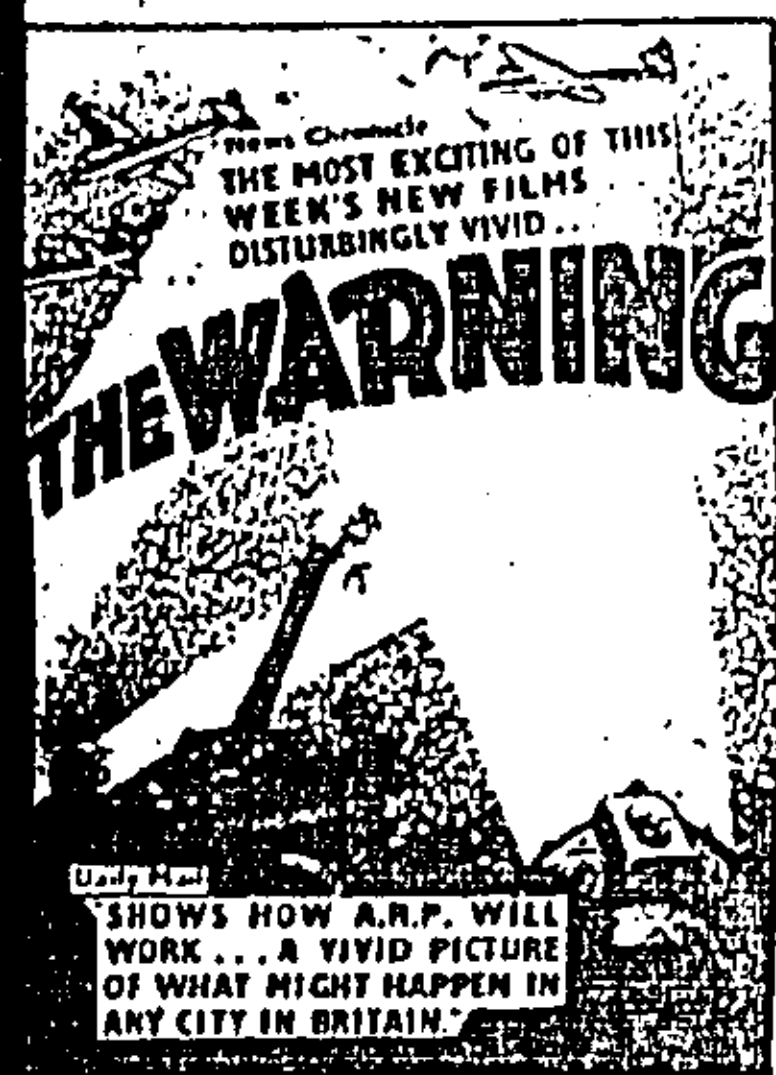
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LATE NEWS

Local Naval Volunteers

Another Eighteen To Be Mobilised

An indication that a further 18 members of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force will be mobilised in the near future is indicated in a Finance message which will be presented to Legislative Council tomorrow.

Legislative Council is to be asked to authorise the expenditure of \$40,000 for pay and allowances for naval volunteers on mobilisation. A total of \$120,000 has already been authorised for this purpose.

One hundred and ninety naval volunteers have already been mobilised.

In addition to the \$40,000 required for additional naval volunteer mobilisation, Legislative Council is to be asked to approve the expenditure of \$9,200 for uniforms. Uniforms were not provided for members of the Mine-Watching Branch until the recent mobilisation, and the advent of cold weather, says the Finance Message, now makes it necessary to provide blue uniforms for all members.

Total cost of uniforms will exceed \$20,000. The original estimates provided for expenditure of \$11,234.

Government Needs \$353,832

Legislative Council is to be asked to approve a supplementary budget of \$353,832 additional to the 1939 estimates at to-morrow's meeting.

The total includes \$100,000 for Special War Expenditure. This does not include expenditure on the Volunteer Force.

Postal and Cable Censorship is estimated at \$25,000, and the internment of aliens will cost \$55,000.

The following additional allotments are proposed:—Department of Information, \$6,500; Shipping Control Advisory Board, \$6,000; Miscellaneous Items, \$7,500.

To Build Up H.K. Milk Reserve

In view of the existing state of war, Government has decided to purchase a quantity of dried milk as a reserve.

Legislative Council is to be asked to authorise the expenditure of \$10,000, of which \$6,450 will be utilised for this purpose.

WANTED MAN ARRESTED

Within an hour of his arrest at the Luk Kwok Hotel in Wanchai by Det. Sub. Inspector Dorkin, a 32-year-old Chinese appeared in Court this afternoon in connection with a recent murder in Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai.

The man was Wong Sou-cheung. He is wanted by the Shanghai Police in connection with the murder of Tsang Kong-mei, who was killed in Bubbling Well Road on July 28.

Wong was brought into court by Chief Det. Insp. W. Murphy.

He agreed to waive extradition proceedings and return to Shanghai in police custody to face the charge.

Wong was accordingly remanded in police custody.

U.S.-Japan Relations

Officials Studying Latest Report.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5, (UP).—State Department officials are studying Ambassador Grew's report from Tokyo to determine whether it offers a basis for settling the Japanese-American conflicts.

They said that pending a study, they would be unable to comment.

Although it is understood that Grew and Nomura did not specifically discuss negotiations for a new commercial pact, it is believed that the conciliatory Japanese action indicated that Mr. Nomura's proposals in connection with the claims was intended to serve as a basis.

U.S. AND ALLIES BLOCKADE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—A decision can be expected this week as to whether the United States will protest to Britain and France regarding the Allies' seizure of German exports, said an official of the State Department.

He added that the question has been studied for some time by officials of the State Department, following the protests of other neutrals.

CONSOLING FIGURES

Navy's Losses Half Those Of 1914

LONDON, Dec. 5 (Reuter).—From August 4 to November 4, 1914, the Navy lost 22 ships totalling 125,656 tons, including five cruisers and one aircraft carrier torpedoed, one battleship, one cruiser and eight other ships mined, and three cruisers sunk in action by enemy surface ships.

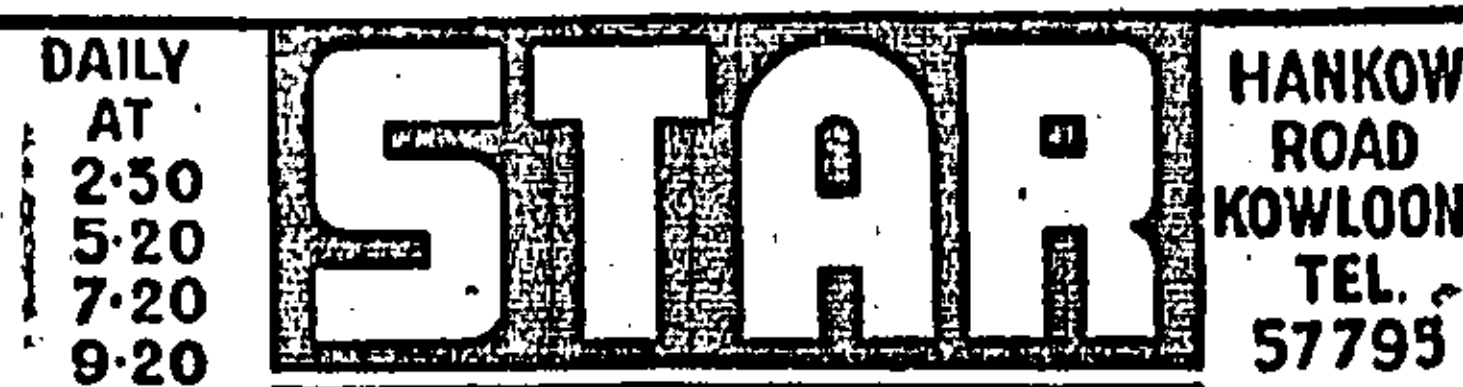
From September 3 to December 3, 1939, the losses amount to nine vessels, totalling 73,880 tons, including two over-age warships, the Courageous and the battleship Royal Oak, torpedoed, and four mined.

Thus the losses at the beginning of this war are little more than half the tonnage, and less than half the number of ships in the same period of the last war.

The margin of superiority of the Allied Fleets is immeasurably greater to-day than in 1914.

Canadian Navy Increased
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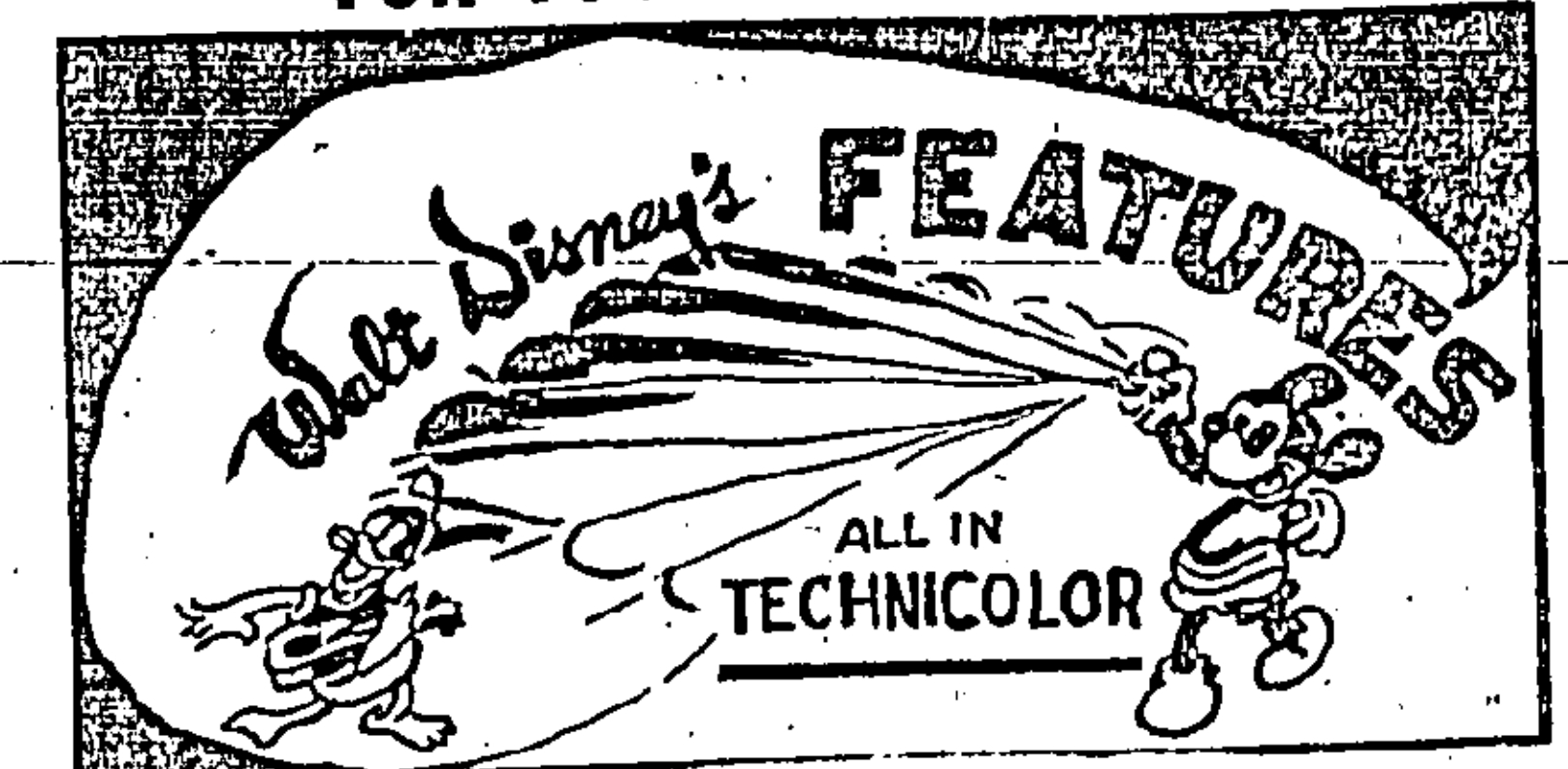
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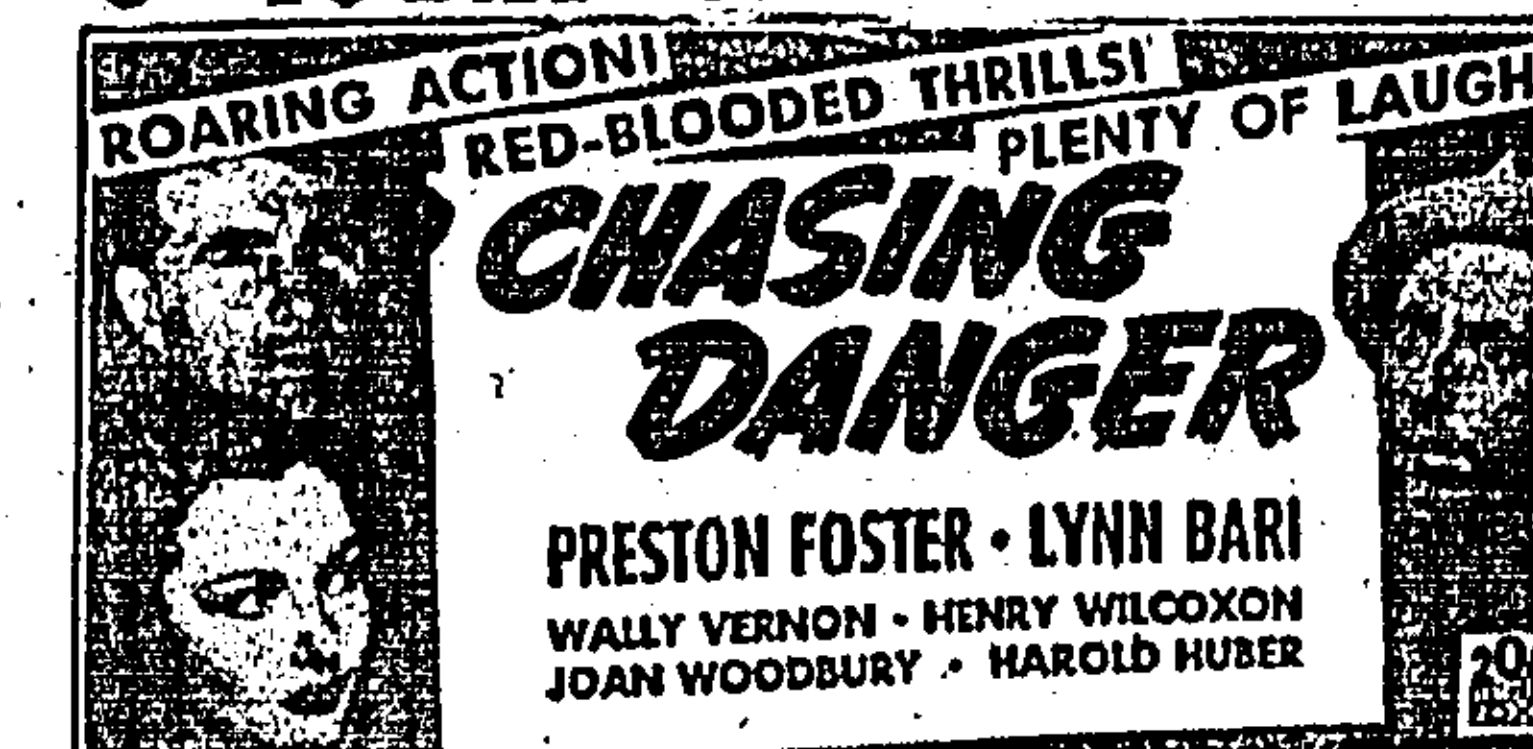


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